

Preventing Extremism and Radicalisation Guidance

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Since 2011, when the Government published the revised Prevent Strategy, there has been an awareness of the need to safeguard children, young people and families from violent extremism. There have been several occasions both locally and nationally in which extremist groups have attempted to radicalise vulnerable children and young people to hold extreme views including views justifying political, religious, sexist or racist violence, or to steer them into a rigid and narrow ideology that is intolerant of diversity and leaves them vulnerable to future radicalisation.
- 1.2 The BOA Group value freedom of speech and the expression of beliefs as fundamental rights underpinning our society's values. Both students and staff have the right to speak freely and voice their opinions. However, freedom comes with responsibility and free speech that is designed to manipulate the vulnerable or that leads to violence and harm of others goes against the moral principles in which freedom of speech is valued. Free speech is not an unqualified privilege; it is subject to laws and policies governing equality, human rights, community safety and community cohesion.
- 1.3 The BOA Group is committed to providing a secure environment for students, where children and young people feel safe and are kept safe. All professionals at the academy recognise that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility irrespective of their role they undertake or whether their role has direct contact or responsibility for children or not.
- 1.4 This Preventing Extremism and Radicalisation guidance is one element within our overall Academy arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in line with our statutory duties set out at S157/S175 of the Education Act 2002.
- 1.5 Each Academies Preventing Extremism and Radicalisation guidance also draws upon the guidance produced by the Birmingham Children Safeguarding Partnership (BCSP), DfE Guidance "Keeping Children Safe in Education, September 2022", HM government document "Prevent Duty: A guide for local partners in England" and the "Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015".
- 1.6 The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 express a duty on specified authorities, which includes all schools including academies, free schools, maintained schools and studio schools to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. The legislation will be measured through various inspection frameworks, with schools and Children Services measured through OFSTED. The government will be producing guidance to help schools deliver the required standards (issued under section 29 of the Act).
- 1.7 The Department for Education has set up a helpline for teachers who have questions and/or concerns about extremism. Teachers can call: 0207 340 7264 or email: counter.extremism@education.gsi.gov.uk

2. The BOA Group Ethos and Practice

2.1 When operating this guidance, the BOA Group uses the following accepted Governmental definition of extremism which is:

'Vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and acceptance of different faiths and beliefs; and/or calls for the death of members of our armed forces, whether in this country or overseas'.

- 2.2 There is no place for extremist views of any kind in our academies, whether from internal sources (students, staff or governors) or external sources (academy community, external agencies or individuals). Our students see each academy as a safe place where they can explore controversial issues safely and where our staff encourage and facilitate this we have a duty to ensure this happens.
- 2.3 The academies within the BOA Group recognise that exposure to extremist materials and influences can lead to poor outcomes for children and young people, and this should be addressed as a safeguarding concern as set out in this guidance. We also recognise that if we fail to challenge extremist views we are failing to protect our students.

- 2.4 Extremists of all persuasions aim to develop destructive relationships between different communities by promoting division, fear and mistrust of others based on ignorance or prejudice and thereby limiting the life chances of young people. Education is a powerful weapon against this; equipping young people with the knowledge, skills and critical thinking, to challenge and debate in an informed way.
- 2.5 Therefore, each academy will provide a broad and balanced curriculum, delivered by skilled professionals, so that our students are enriched, understand and become tolerant of difference and diversity and also to ensure that they thrive, feel valued and not marginalized.
- 2.6 Please see notes on associated terminology in addendum 1.

3. The Counter Terrorism and Security Act July 2015

- 3.1 The Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 was published on 12th February 2015. Section 26 of the Act places a duty on schools in England (and Wales) to prevent people being drawn into terrorism. This duty applies to all schools, whether publicly-funded or independent, and organisations covered by the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. The duty also applies to children's homes. Statutory guidance has been published and comes into force on 1st July 2015.
- 3.2 Schools leaders (including Trustees) must:
 - establish or use existing mechanisms for understanding the risk of extremism
 - ensure staff understand the risk and build capabilities to deal with it
 - communicate and promote the importance of the duty
 - ensure staff implement the duty effectively

Other duties on schools include:

- effective partnership working with other local agencies, e.g. Local safeguarding arrangements, Police, health, etc.
- information sharing
- maintaining appropriate records
- assessing local risk of extremism (including Far Right extremism)
- · demonstrating they are protecting children
- developing clear protocols for visiting speakers
- safeguarding policies that take account of local safeguarding arrangements policies and procedures
- training staff to give them knowledge and confidence
- ensuring there is robust ICT protocols that filter out extremist materials
- school buildings must not be used to give a platform to extremists' speakers
- 3.3 Ofsted are responsible for monitoring how well schools are implementing this duty.

4. Recognising the indicators of vulnerability to radicalisation

- 4.1 There is no such thing as a "typical extremist": those who become involved in extremist actions come from a range of backgrounds and experiences, and most individuals, even those who hold radical views, do not become involved in violent extremist activity.
- 4.2 Students may become susceptible to radicalisation through a range of social, personal and environmental factors it is known that violent extremists exploit vulnerabilities in individuals to drive a wedge between them and their families and communities. It is vital that academy staff are able to recognise those vulnerabilities.

4.3 Indicators of vulnerability include:

- Identity Crisis the student is distanced from their cultural / religious heritage and experiences discomfort about their place in society;
- Personal Crisis the student may be experiencing family tensions; a sense of isolation; and low self-esteem; they may have dissociated from their existing friendship group and become involved with a new and different group of friends; they may be searching for answers to questions about identity, faith and belonging;
- Personal Circumstances migration; local community tensions; and events affecting the student / student's
 country or region of origin may contribute to a sense of grievance that is triggered by personal experience of
 racism or discrimination or aspects of Government policy;
- Unmet Aspirations the student may have perceptions of injustice; a feeling of failure; rejection of civic life;
- Experiences of Criminality which may include involvement with criminal groups, imprisonment, and poor resettlement /reintegration;
- Special Educational Need students may experience difficulties with social interaction, empathy with others, understanding the consequences of their actions and awareness of the motivations of others.

4.4 More critical risk factors could include:

- Being in contact with extremist recruiters;
- Violent extremist websites, especially those with a social networking element;
- Possessing or accessing violent extremist literature;
- Using extremist narratives and a global ideology to explain personal disadvantage;
- Justifying the use of violence to solve societal issues;
- Joining or seeking to join extremist organisations; and
- Significant changes to appearance and / or behaviour;
- Experiencing a high level of social isolation resulting in issues of identity crisis and/or personal crisis.
- 4.5 Any prejudice, discrimination or extremist views, including derogatory language, displayed by students or staff will always be challenged and where appropriate dealt with in line with the Behaviour Handbook for students and the Code of Conduct for Employees and Disciplinary Policy for Employees.
- 4.6 We will ensure that all of our staff are equipped to recognise extremism and are skilled and confident enough to challenge it. All staff will receive WRAP training (Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent) and radicalisation and extremism will be an integral part of annual staff safeguarding training.
- 4.7 Each academy is required to identify a Prevent Single Point of Contact (SPOC) who will be the lead within the organisation for safeguarding in relation to protecting individuals from radicalisation and involvement in terrorism. A SPOC is identified in each academy. Please refer to the academies prevent plan in addendum 4 for each academy named SPOC.

5. Teaching Approaches

- 5.1 We will all strive to eradicate the myths and assumptions that can lead to some young people becoming alienated and disempowered, especially where the narrow approaches children may experience elsewhere may make it harder for them to challenge or question these extremist narratives and influences. In our academies this will be achieved by good teaching, primarily via PSHE sessions; but also by adopting the methods outlined in the Government's guidance 'Teaching approaches that help build resilience to extremism among young people' DfE 2011.
- 5.2 Each academy will promote the values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance for those with different faiths and beliefs. We will teach and encourage students to respect one another and to respect and tolerate difference, especially those of a different faith or no faith.

5.3 We will also work with local partners, families and communities in our efforts to challenge extremist views and to assist in the broadening of our students' experiences and horizons.

6. Use of External Agencies and Speakers

- 6.1 The BOA Group encourages the use of external agencies or speakers to enrich the experiences of our students; however we will positively vet those external agencies, individuals or speakers who we engage to provide such learning opportunities or experiences for our students. This includes checking the DBS of all external providers, viewing material that will be used beforehand and conducting a social media check on such agencies or individuals.
- 6.2 Such vetting is to ensure that we do not unwittingly use agencies that contradict each other with their messages or that are inconsistent with, or are in compete opposition to, the academy values and ethos.
- 6.3 Each academy will assess the suitability and effectiveness of input from external agencies or individuals to ensure that:
 - Any messages communicated to students are consistent with the ethos of the academy and do not marginalise any communities, groups or individuals
 - Any messages do not seek to glorify criminal activity or violent extremism or seek to radicalise students through extreme or narrow views of faith, religion or culture or other ideologies
 - Activities are properly embedded in the curriculum and clearly mapped to schemes of work to avoid contradictory messages or duplication.
 - Activities are matched to the needs of students
 - Activities are carefully evaluated by the academy to ensure that they are effective.

6.4 Therefore by delivering a broad and balanced curriculum, augmented by the use of external sources where appropriate, we will strive to ensure our students recognise risk and build resilience to manage any such risk themselves where appropriate to their age and ability but also to help students develop the critical thinking skills needed to engage in informed debate.

7. Whistleblowing

7.1 Where there are concerns of extremism or radicalisation students and staff will be encouraged to make use of our internal systems to whistle blow or raise any issue in confidence. Please refer to the separate Whistleblowing Policy.

8. Recruitment

- 8.1 The arrangements for recruiting all staff, permanent and volunteers, to each academy will follow government guidance on safer recruitment best practice in education settings, including, but not limited to, ensuring that DBS checks are always made at the appropriate level, that references are always received and checked and that we complete and maintain a Single Central Record of such vetting checks.
- 8.2 We will apply safer recruitment best practice principles and sound employment practice in general and in doing so will deny opportunities for inappropriate recruitment or advancement. We will be alert to the possibility that persons may seek to gain positions within our academy so as to unduly influence our academy character and ethos. We are aware that such persons seek to limit the opportunities for pupils thereby rendering them vulnerable to extremist views and radicalisation as a consequence.

8.3 By adhering to safer recruitment best practice techniques and by ensuring that there is an ongoing culture of vigilance within our academies and staff teams, we will minimise the opportunities for extremist views to prevail.

9. Role of Governance Advisory Board

- 9.1 The Governance Advisory Board of each school will undertake annual training led by the Designated Safeguarding Lead to ensure that they are clear about their role and the parameters of their responsibilities as members of the Governance Advisory Board.
- 9.2 The Governance Advisory Board of each academy will support the ethos and values of each academy and will support the academy in tackling extremism and radicalisation.
- 9.3 The Trustees will review this guidance prior to the start of a new academic year (on an annual basis) but may amend and adopt any amendments outside of this timeframe in accordance with any new legislation or guidance. A Trustee is the Trust's DSL in Governance.
- 9.4 The Governance Advisory Board will consider and monitor the Prevent Plan of their academy.

10. Standards for Teachers

- 10.1 Teachers must have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the academy in which they teach, and maintain high standards in their own attendance and punctuality. They must have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks that set out their professional duties and responsibilities.
- 10.2 **NB** the phrase 'fundamental British values' refers to the definition of extremism as articulated in the Prevent Strategy, which was launched in June 2011 and updated recently. It includes the need for academies to explore with students 'democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs'.

11. Supporting children who are travelling/have travelled abroad to specific locations

- 11.1 If a student/parent/carer seeks permission to travel abroad and this falls within the academic school term then the family should be provided with the letter as set out in addendum 2. The Dangers of travelling for terrorism (or Forced Marriage or Female Genital Mutilation) are becoming increasingly apparent and concerning. While this guidance refers to children and young people returning; there is an absolute desire to stop them travelling wherever possible. Academy staff must also be alert and refer cases of potential concern if they become aware that a student is intending to travel during school holidays.
- 11.2 If you have concerns either post travel or pre travel and/or identify any concerns in relation to extremism as identified above please refer to the flow diagram in addendum 3, which relies on your professional judgment with full support and guidance from your SPOC. If any of the indicators of concern are noted upon return/extremism risk identified then consideration needs to be given to making a referral to the academies Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub, this might then escalate the case to Channel where a case de-confliction is carried out that determines threshold for Channel. The Channel panel will suggest appropriate intervention if required. This will be from a safeguarding perspective around a number of issues that will encompass extremism vulnerabilities. If any responses/discussions give further indicators for concern around extremism then the Local Security and Partnership Officer will be contacted.

12. Links and Supporting Documents

HO Foreign Travel Advice

https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice

Prevent Tragedies

www.preventtragedies.co.uk

How social media is used to encourage travel to Syria and Iraq

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/440450/How_s ocial_media_is_used_to_encourage_travel_to_Syria_and_Iraq.pdf#:~:text=On%20social%20media%2C%20ISIL%20s_upporters%20frequently%20encourage%20others,messaging%20apps%20include%20WhatsApp%2C%20Kik%2C%20SureSpot%20and%20Viber.

Promoting British Values through SMSC

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/promoting-fundamental-british-values-through-smsc

Tackling extremism in the UK - Task Force report (see pages 5 – 7)

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/tackling-extremism-in-the-uk-report-by-the-extremismtaskforce

Channel Guidance http://www.acpo.police.uk/documents/TAM/2012/201210TAMChannelGuidance.pdf

Prevent Duty (new guidance and consultations doc) https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance-for-england-and-wales
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance-for-further-education-institutions-in-england-and-wales

Keeping Children Safe in Education September 2022

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1101454/Keeping children safe in education 2022.pdf

Addendum 1 - Associated terminology

Al-Qaeda An international organization of loosely affiliated groups/cells that carry out attacks and

bombings in the attempt to disrupt the economies and influence of Western nations and

advance Islamic extremism

British People who are the inhabitants of Britain (e.g. citizens of England, Scotland, Wales, Northern

Ireland, the Isle of Man or one of the Chanel Islands, collectively known as the United

Kingdom) or an inhabitant of a British overseas territory

Channel A key element of the Prevent Strategy; Channel is about safeguarding children and adults

from being drawn into committing terrorist-related activity. It is about early intervention to

protect and divert people away from the risk they face before illegality occurs

English Defence League (EDL) The English Defence League is a far right, street protest movement, which opposes

what it considers to be a 'spread of Islamism', and Islamic extremism in the United Kingdom

Ethnicity This is linked to distinctive shared social, linguistics, physical (e.g. skin colour) cultural and

geographical heritage and norms. Religious belonging may be part of these norms. Every person has an ethnicity. To belong to an ethnic group, an individual must see themselves as

a member and be seen as others as being a member of the group

Extremism One who advocates or resorts to ideologies and measures beyond the norm, in politics and

religion often using violence and terror tactics to make their views known, or to gain power

Ideology A set of ideas and beliefs of a group, religious or political party

Identity An umbrella term used to describe an individual's understanding of him or herself; identity is

influenced by many factors, gender, ethnicity, religion, nationality, culture, family etc

Media The means of communication that reaches large numbers of people e.g. the television,

newspapers, and the internet

Propaganda Ideas or statements that are often false or exaggerated and that are spread in order to help

a cause

Islamophobia A hatred or fear of Muslims, their religion and sometimes-related politics or culture

Islamist A western term used to describe an extreme Muslim usually politicised

Jihad Personal struggle in everyday life; striving to achieve a goal; also used to mean taking up

arms if necessary

Nationalism A feeling that people have of being loyal to and proud of their country often with the belief

that it is better and more important than other countries

Nationality The status of belonging to a particular nation by origin, birth, or naturalization

Racism This term refers to the deeply rooted but groundless belief that certain groups are

inherently inferior to others. Racism is expressed through attitudes, behaviours and

institutional policies and procedures. It disadvantages certain groups in terms of housing, job opportunities and education. Some White people experience racism (for example people

from Irish, Jewish or Traveller backgrounds)

Radical A word that describes a person who favours extreme or fundamental change in existing

institutions or in political, social, or economic conditions

Resilience The ability to recover quickly from change, or misfortune

Right wing A conservative or reactionary element in a political party or other organisation, often

associated with fascism, nationalism and racism

Social media Forms of electronic communication (web sites, social networking and blogging) through

which users create online communities to share information, ideas, personal messages, and

other content e.g. videos

Stereotypes This involves making generalised assumptions about a person or group; applying these

assumptions; expecting people to conform to them

Terrorism The unlawful use or threatened use of force or violence by a person or an organised group

against people or property with the intention of intimidating individuals, coercing societies

or governments, often for ideological or political reasons.

Terrorist One that engages in acts or an act of terrorism

Xenophobia An unreasonable fear or hatred of foreigners or strangers, or of that, which is different,

foreign or strange

XFR Extreme far right

Addendum 2 - Supporting children who are travelling/have travelled abroad to specific locations

Dear Parent/Carer

Travel Abroad

(Name of Student) has advised us that he/she will be travelling to destination on Date to Date.

Travel abroad can be a fantastic learning experience and we encourage students to broaden their life experiences to give them a deeper understanding of how other people live around the world. Any trip during term time is discouraged so that it does not negatively impact a student's education, but we do consider any requests on a case by case basis.

We are aware that in some countries travel for British Nationals can mean increased risk of terrorist attack. Please see the link below of the latest advice and risks associated to a number of destinations. https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice

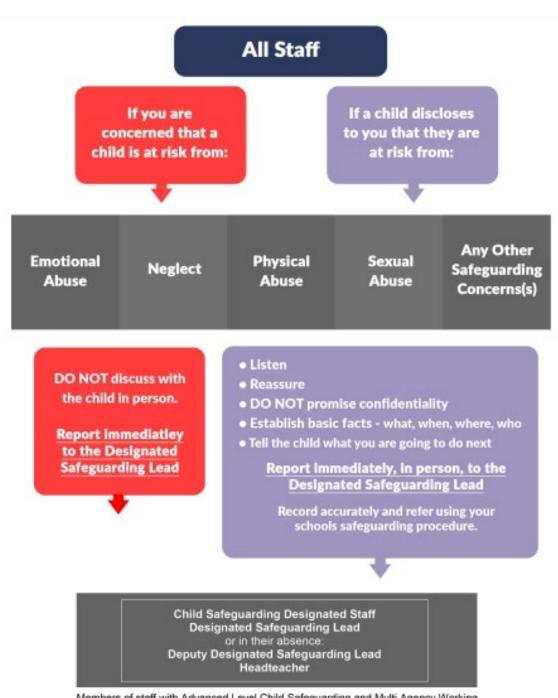
There have been numerous incidents of young UK nationals travelling abroad which breached current UK legislation, and also legislation of the country of destination if arriving illegally though unsupervised border crossings.

In a handful of cases parents were unaware of their child's plans to travel so this is one of the reasons that we have contacted you to confirm you are fully aware and are happy with the proposed travel arrangements.

Your child's safety is paramount to the school and travel abroad is covered within safeguarding protocols and current legal duties placed upon educational institutions.

Please do not hesitate to contact (insert name) on any issues relating to the content of this letter Yours sincerely,

Addendum 3 – Safeguarding Procedures



Members of staff with Advanced Level Child Safeguarding and Multi Agency Working training are identified for each school within the schools individual appendix

Addendum 4 - Prevent Plan

Prevent Plan

Current Date: May 2023

Date Plan Implemented – February 2023

Date Plan Reviewed - Yearly

"There is no place for extremist views of any kind in our academy, whether from internal sources (students, staff or governors) or external sources (academy community, external agencies or individuals). Our student see our academy as a safe place where they can explore controversial issues safely and where our teachers encourage and facilitate this and all staff recognise their responsibility to challenge and tackle all forms of radicalisation."

Risk Assessment

BOA Stage and Screen Production Academy has adopted the Diverting Young People Away From Extremism and Radicalisation Guidance prepared by Birmingham Council and the Prevent Duty Self-Assessment tool prepared by the DfE (2022) https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-self-assessment-tool-for-schools to support the completion of their initial risk assessment and structure of its plan. This working document outlines how we are continually updating and refining our practice to keep everyone in our academy safe in line with national strategies.

Background

The national assessment for the risk of terrorism is 'SUBSTANTIAL'. This means that a terrorist attack is likely. The local risk assessment is based largely on the recently published (November 2019) Counter Terrorism Local Profile CTLP which suggests Birmingham is a 'tier two' local authority, therefore carrying an increased risk of both radicalisation and terrorist related crime.

Recent arrests linked with radicalisation or terrorist activity Birmingham and the surrounding area:

- A far-right extremist Walsall man is currently being trailed for making home explosives (May, 2023).
- A Birmingham man set alight outside a Mosque (March 2023)
- A Birmingham man was jailed for sharing extremist material and a month later a Birmingham women was also jailed for a similar offence (Jan 2022, Feb 2022).
- In 2014 it was announced that Birmingham City Council and the Government were investigating a number of 'Trojan Horse' schools. The resulting reports identified issues all schools should be aware of.
- An explosive device was found at a Mosque in the Walsall area (June, 2013).
- A Birmingham man was sentenced to life for attempting to make a bomb (October, 2017).
- A right-wing group known as the English Defence League (EDL) are present within the Walsall area and have held several anti-Islamic demonstrations.
- National / Global: Paris, Nice, Barcelona, London, Manchester, Liverpool, New Zealand attacks.



BOA Stage and Screen Production Academy – Roles and Responsibilities

Leadership Team

Kate Tague -Chief Executive Officer

Mr M Painter -Principal

Mrs M Sorensen - Assistant Principal

Mr J Latham – Assistant Principal

Designated Safeguarding Staff

Mrs M Sorensen -Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mr J Latham -Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Single Point of Contact (SPOC)

Mrs Michelle Sorensen -Designated Safeguarding Lead

Prevent Plan

BOA Stage and Screen Production Academy has adopted the four broad principles of Birmingham Councils prevent guidance as the following objectives:

- 1. Leadership and Governance Clear leadership and accountable structures are in place and visible throughout the organisation.
- 2. Policies and Practice -
- 3. Training The Staff and governing body have been appropriately trained according to their role.
- 4. Curriculum A broad and balanced curriculum that helps protect students against extremism and promotes community cohesion.

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		No	Action required/comments		
LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE					
Does your safeguarding policy make reference to seek protection from radicalisation and extremist narratives as a safeguarding concern?			In line with 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (September 2022) the academies' s Safeguarding Policy has been updated with explicit Prevent information and expectations. Refer to page 19 of the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy. This information has also been delivered to staff in training sessions. ACTION REQUIRED: The academy has a clear emergency evacuation plan in place in case of a bomb threat, explosion or chemical hazard. This is in addition to our Crisis Management Policy. The academy has a clear emergency procedure plan in the event of an intruder on site		
Are the lead responsibilities for Prevent clearly identified in the policy?			Yes: Refer to page 3 of the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy & page 2 of the Prevent Plan. S.P.O.C for PREVENT Mrs M Sorensen (Assistant Head Principal & DSL) is named.		
Do you have a Prevent Safeguarding Lead?			Mrs M Sorensen (Assistant Head Principal & DSL).		
Do you have a Prevent Governor Lead?			ACTION REQUIRED: following change in governance		
Is there someone who has responsibility for checking visitors to the school?			Security and reception staff follow the academies safeguarding procedures for all visitors. Any outside visitor presenting sessions in the academy are added to the academy bulletin so that all staff are aware of what visitors will be attending each day. All visitors are vetted beforehand via background and DBS checks. Each visitor must firstly report to reception where their ID is checked on arrival. Any material is checked beforehand and guests must be accompanied at all times by staff, identified by wearing a red lanyard.		
Is there someone that has the responsibility for checking premises use by outsiders?			Juliette Bates (Head and Estates and Facilities) – TOCA agreements are in place for all external users. Their activities when on site are monitored by site staff and users are never left on site unattended.		
Is there someone that has the responsibility for ensuring commissioned services are complying with the Prevent Duty?			Juliette Bates (Head and Estates and Facilities) and Michael Painter (Principal) – Process as above and copies of all organisation's own		

	policies are kept by the school. Prior to lettings being authorised, these policies are checked to ensure statutory obligations are upheld by third party organisations.
Is there someone that has the responsibility for record keeping demonstrating compliance with the Prevent Duty?	Mrs M Sorensen in her role as DSL will track and respond to any concerns regarding PREVENT. She also oversees the delivery and content of PREVENT training to staff and PREVENT workshops to students within Personal and Professional Development, assemblies and collapsed/topic days.
POLICIES AND PRACTICE	
Do you have a 'No platform' Policy?	ACTION REQUIRED
Is there a clear understanding of information sharing and when cases should be referred to CASS for Channel or other support?	Staff have annual safeguarding training and an annual PREVENT training session covering concerns. DSL Mrs M Sorensen follows a CPD programme which covers PREVENT CASS referrals and Channel awareness.
Has the school ensured its internet security systems prevent access to unauthorised or extremist websites?	We use IMPERO monitoring software and update our filtering terms from latest partner updates
Is there a 'No platform' policy on the use of school premises and facilities by outside agencies and groups?	ACTION REQUIRED
Is there a clear Visitors Policy that ensures visitors are vetted and adhere to the school's values and promote community cohesion?	No visitor is allowed onto the academy site without a prior arranged meeting. Any outside visitor presenting sessions or student workshops in the academy is vetted beforehand via background and DBS checks. Material is checked beforehand and guests are accompanied by staff. ACTION REQUIRED: Check Visitors Policy
TRAINING	
Has all school staff received training on Prevent? E.g. WRAP training	As part of the level 1 safeguarding training all staff receive training on Prevent. All staff have completed the Home Office-Prevent Duty Training.
	ACTION REQUIRED: During the Summer Term 2 of 2022-23 all staff received a Prevent CPD programme. On the 22 nd June 2023 the DSL, Mrs M Sorensen will complete a WRAP Train the

	Trainer Workshop so that she can deliver WRAP training to all staff in September 2023.
Has the Designated Safeguarding Officer been trained?	DSL, Mrs M Sorensen is Advanced Safeguarding trained and attends PREVENT CPD with Colvin White and Ayisha Ali from Birmingham Children's Trust. Mrs M Sorensen also attends webinar and workshops, in addition to receiving weekly emails that cover PREVENT and key safeguarding updates/CPD programmes.
	ACTION REQUIRED: Mrs M Sorensen will complete a WRAP Train the Trainer Workshop on 22 nd June 2023, so that she can become a "Home Office" accredited WRAP trainer.
Have Governors received training on Prevent?	ACTION REQUIRED
Does your induction programme cover Prevent i.e. new staff, supply, visiting and PGCE students and any other ITT programme?	All new staff receive a safeguarding induction package which includes PREVENT.
Does your safeguarding policy make explicit how Prevent concerns should be reported within the school by staff?	Yes: Refer to page 19 of the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.
Have you checked that all staff know what they should do if they have a Prevent concern and to whom it should be reported?	Yes: Understanding of the safeguarding procedures including PREVENT are checked within the staff safeguarding CPD programme.
Is your staff aware of the 'lock down 'guidance?	ACTION REQUIRED: Covered by SLT in briefings and has been practiced in school.
Has your DSL been trained in using the screening tool kit?	Yes: BCT Prevent Screening Tool.
Is there a member of staff who is WRAP trained in your setting?	Mrs M Sorensen will complete a WRAP Train the Trainer Workshop on 22 nd June 2023, so that she can become a "Home Office" accredited WRAP trainer.
CURRICULUM	
Do you deliver Prevent through the curriculum?	Delivered within Personal and Professional Development (PPD) lessons, assemblies, Topic days and cross curricular. Students have also been made aware of e-safety and the dangers that exist on the internet and ways in which they can stay safe. Specific SMSC / 'British Values' assemblies are delivered to all students and further embedded within the BOA SSPA values of 'Be

	Yourself, Own what you do, Accept Everyone, Share and Learn Together, See the Good, Persist and Never Give up, Aim High. Equality and diversity is highly valued as a part of daily academy life and receives a special focus each year. There is also e-safety guidance for parents and carers on the academy website.
Is Prevent delivered through discreet lessons?	PREVENT sessions are covered offering the students a "safe space" to discuss, learn about and debate the topic. This is delivered in PPD, assemblies and topic days.
Have curriculum interventions been mapped across the age range and subject areas?	ACTION REQUIRED SMSC including PREVENT and British values audit mapped cross curriculum delivery of this subject area.
Are pupils aware of the dangers of radicalisation and extremism?	Ongoing student voice is carried out to check students understanding and thoughts regarding all safeguarding topics delivered.
Do you have specific resources to deliver lessons on Prevent?	Lessons are resources using a variety of resources such as; Educate against hate, Birmingham Children's Trust, Prevent-uk.org.
Do you work with outside providers to support you with delivering Prevent through the curriculum?	Yes: We have used Connect futures, Andrew Hall and Dave Allport (Home Office).
Is your staff confident in delivering lessons on controversial issues such as dangers of extremism?	Yes: These sessions are delivered within PPD, assemblies and Topic days. Lessons are planned and shared in advance by the DSL & SPOC Mrs M Sorensen so that staff are confident in their delivery.