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PREVENT DUTY AND RADICALISATION POLICY

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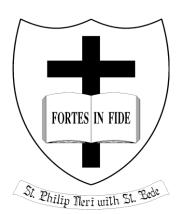
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SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

"We put Christ at the centre of our lives."

The whole school community aims to:

- 1. Following Christ's example at all times and grow in love, awe and wonder of Him.
- 2. Make everyone aware that through Christ we take our own place in society acknowledging that our actions affect the lives of others.
- 3. Give everyone the opportunity to develop their full potential within an atmosphere of mutual respect.
- 4. Ensure that within a balanced and broadly based curriculum everyone will be given the opportunity:
 - To develop enquiring minds, with the ability to question, argue and think rationally and independently.
 - Use number and language effectively.
 - Develop physical abilities and aesthetic appreciation.
 - Acquire knowledge and skills relevant to adult life, society and employment in a fast changing world.
- 5. Enrich the spiritual life of the individual through a varied and meaningful liturgy.

"This is what the Lord asks of you: only this, that you act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8)



There are now duties imposed on schools and other agencies in relation to The Prevent Duty which came into force on 1 July 2015. The Prevent Duty is now incorporated into our existing policies.

Further advice in relation to this is within KCSiE and also the DfE non-statutory guidance for schools and early years' providers in relation to:

- Risk assessment (page 5).
- Working in partnership (page 7).
- Staff training (page 7).
- It policies (page 8).
- Building children's resilience to radicalisation (page 8).

We are proactive in our approach and have ensured the DSL has accessed face to face training to help identify risk and support other colleagues where there are specific concerns. We will work with key partners to ensure that we are aware of any tensions within our local community and nationally and internationally, so that we can create safe spaces for our children to discuss their experiences and concerns. Where we are concerned about individual children there is a referral pathway which all staff will be familiar with. Initial advice and support can be obtained from the Tackling Emerging Threats to Children Team and more serious concerns should be referred to the Police Prevent Team or the MASH where there is a concern that a child is at immediate risk.

In exercising our specific duty under Prevent we seek to protect children and young people from being drawn into, and against, the messages of all violent extremism. This includes and is not restricted to Daesh, AQ, Far Right, Neo Nazi, White Supremacist ideology, Irish Nationalist and Loyalist paramilitary groups, and extremist Animal Rights movements.

The use of social media and the internet as tools to radicalise young people cannot be underestimated. We recognise that those that seek to recruit young people to follow extremist ideology often target those who are already vulnerable in some way and that exposure to extreme views can make young people vulnerable to further manipulation and exploitation. We will therefore ensure that we build children and young people's critical thinking skills and resilience through both our curriculum and pastoral provision/systems.

As a school we are clear that we have a duty to safeguard young people from such dangers and we will actively promote resilience to such risks through our RE curriculum, SEND policy, assembly policy, our SMSC and anti-bullying work, and in our policies for use of the school premises by external agencies, visitors, premises' hire and our online safety and ICT policies.

