



# Carlisle and Hampton Hill Federation

## SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

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This term's safeguarding newsletter aims to give parents/carers information on how to identify and respond if children are affected by **extremism and radicalisation**.

### What is Extremism?

"Extremism is the vocal or active opposition to our fundamental values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and the mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. This also includes calling for the death of members of the armed forces."

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### What is radicalisation?

"Radicalisation is the process of a person legitimising support for, or use of, terrorist violence."

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### What is terrorism?

"is an action that endangers or causes serious violence to a person/people; causes serious damage to property; or seriously interferes or disrupts an electronic system. The use or threat must be designed to influence the government or to intimidate the public and is made for the purpose of advancing a political, religious or ideological cause.."

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### Spotting the signs

Children who are at risk of radicalisation may have low self-esteem, or be victims of bullying or discrimination.

Extremists might target them and tell them they can be part of something special, later brainwashing them into cutting themselves off from their friends and family.

Signs that may indicate a child is being radicalised include:

- Isolating themselves from family and friends.
- Unwillingness to discuss their views.
- Increased levels of anger

### The Channel Programme

Channel is a multi-agency group to support individuals vulnerable to radicalisation.

It may be appropriate for pupils who are vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism.

Channel is about ensuring that vulnerable children and adults of any faith, ethnicity or background receive support.

Channel partners include Local Authorities, Healthcare providers, Probation, Police and members of the community.

<https://www.educateagainsthate.com/parents/>

**Keeping  
children safe  
is everyone's  
responsibility**



Future issues of our safeguarding newsletter will include spotlights on:

- Road Safety
- Domestic Abuse
- Attendance and Punctuality

**TERRORISM  
HAS  
NO  
RELIGION**

The senior team that take the lead on safeguarding are:



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Designated Safeguarding Lead (HHJS)



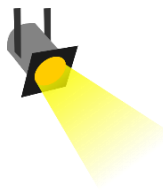
Mr. David Wells  
Designated Safeguarding Lead (CIS)



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# Spotlight on: Terrorism

## TOP TIPS FOR FAMILIES



### Talking about Terrorism with your child

Children are exposed to news in lots of different ways and what they can see can worry them in lots of different ways.

Here some tips that can help you have some conversations with your child:

- ☐ Listen carefully to their fears and worries.
- ☐ Offer reassurance and comfort.
- ☐ Avoid complicated and worrying explanations that could be frightening and confusing.
- ☐ Help them find advice and support to distressing events and feelings.
- ☐ Children can always contact CHILDLINE free and confidentially on the phone **0800 1111** or online at [childline.org.uk](https://childline.org.uk).
- ☐ The NSPCC website offers further resources to help parents/ carers including videos of parents talking to their children about terrorism:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/dedicatedhelplines/protecting-children-from-radicalisation/>

## Reporting safeguarding concerns

At times when we aren't at school and you have concerns around the safety/wellbeing of a child, contact the **Single Point of Access** on 020 8547 5008 (8am to 5.15pm, Monday to Thursday, and 8am to 5pm on Friday. Out of hours, phone (020 8770 5000.)

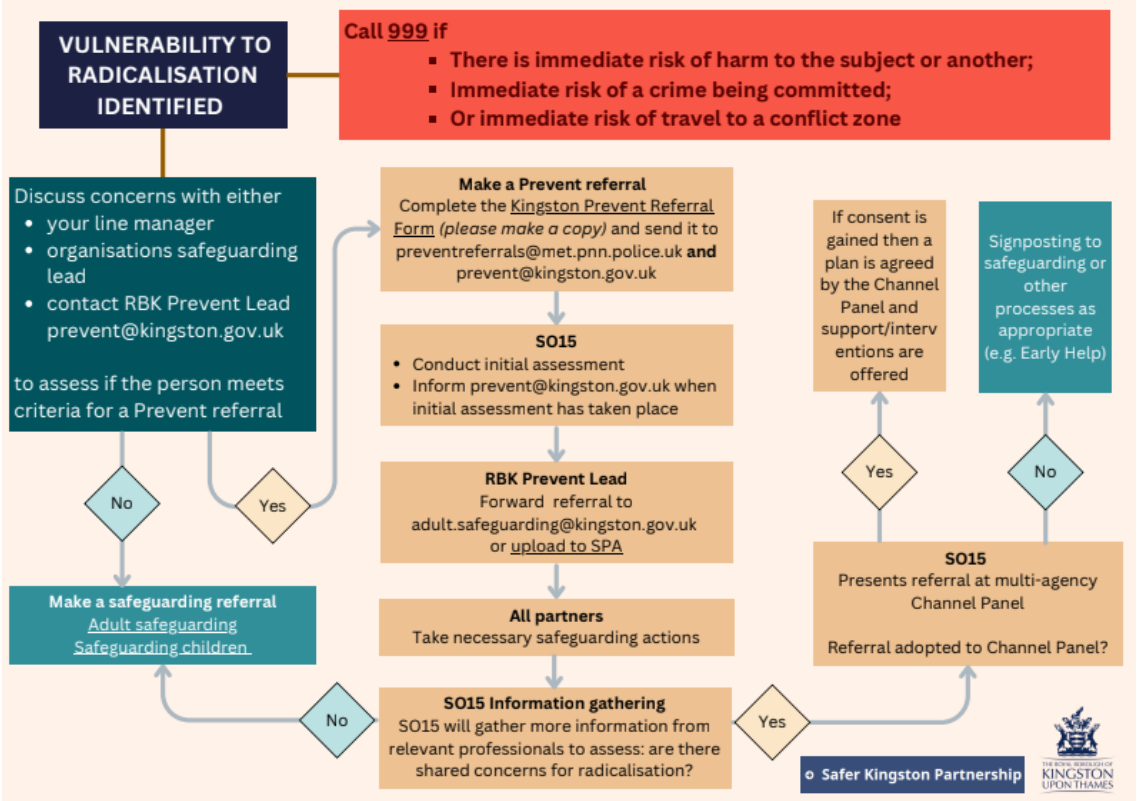
## Urgent calls

Call 999 if you think a child or young person is in immediate danger.

It is important to know that whilst a person can be radicalised by others, there are some people (including children & young people) who radicalise themselves by seeking out information to support their viewpoint on the internet.

The Prevent duty specifies schools are required to have *"due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism."*

## KINGSTON PREVENT: REFERRAL PATHWAY FOR PROFESSIONALS



## Useful Information/Websites

Act Early <https://actearly.uk/>

Reporting Hate Crime – <https://www.gov.uk/report-hate-crime>

<https://www.report-it.org.uk/>

Glossary of Terms – <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance/glossary-of-terms>

Prevent: An Introduction – You Tube - <https://youtu.be/Otc2eaRY32s?si=CUHxV8U0WmendbT4>

Both schools now have email addresses for you to report confidential safeguarding concerns. These are only seen by the senior safeguarding leads.

[safeguarding@carlisle.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@carlisle.richmond.sch.uk) or [safeguarding@hamptonhill.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@hamptonhill.richmond.sch.uk)