

## Briarwood School Safeguarding and Prevent Duty Information

### Safeguarding:

Safeguarding is defined as: protecting children from maltreatment; preventing impairment of children's health or development; ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care; and taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE), (2016).

Child Protection refers to the situation where a child is suffering significant harm, or is likely to do so, and action is required to protect that child.

At Briarwood safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility. Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children.

In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all professionals should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the best interests of the child. Everyone who comes into contact with them has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action.

Briarwood is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children by:

- The provision of a safe environment in which children and young people can learn;
- Fulfilling our statutory (legal) responsibilities to identify children who may be in need of extra help or who are suffering, or are likely to suffer, significant harm.

All action taken by Briarwood will be in accordance with:

- Current legislation: Children Act 1989 and 2004; Education Act 2002 and 2011 and Education and Inspection Act 2006

And Statutory Guidance:

- Working Together to Safeguard Children (2015), which sets out the multiagency working arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people and protect them from harm; in addition it sets out the statutory roles and responsibilities of schools.
- Keeping Children Safe in Education (2018) is statutory guidance issued by the Department for Education which all schools and colleges must have regard to when carrying out their duties to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.
- The Teacher Standards 2012 state that teachers, including head teachers, should safeguard children's wellbeing and maintain public trust in the teaching profession as part of their professional duties.

All staff will be provided with annual Safeguarding Training and will:

- Be familiar with the safeguarding policy (available on website and from the school office);
- Be subject to Safer Recruitment processes and checks;
- Be alert to signs and indicators of possible abuse;
- Record concerns and give the record to the Designated or Deputy Safeguarding Lead.

All staff at Briarwood has a role and responsibility to safeguard children and young people attending our school, irrespective of their role within the school by:

- Identifying concerns early and providing help for children and young people, to prevent concerns from escalating to a point where intervention would be needed. These concerns should be discussed with the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead (the Headteacher).
- All staff should be aware of the process and principles for sharing information within the school and the referral process to follow should a staff member have a concern about a child's welfare.

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## Briarwood Safeguarding Referral Process:

If you are concerned a child or young person is being abused or neglected.

If you are concerned about a child or young person's welfare.

It is paramount the child is made safe and that you immediately report your concern to our Designated Safeguarding Lead our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads either at school or by calling on 0117 3532651.

In the event that they are not available please report to the Head of School.



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Designated Safeguarding Lead



Jessica De-La-Mare  
Interim Deputy Headteacher  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



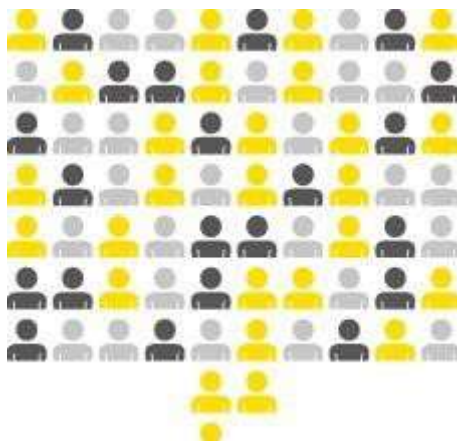
Trish French  
SENCO  
Designated Safeguarding Lead



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Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

## What is Prevent?

Prevent is about safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism. Prevent is 1 of the 4 elements of CONTEST, the Government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.



## The Prevent Strategy:

- Responds to the ideological challenge we face from terrorism and aspects of extremism, and the threat we face from those who promote these views;
- Provides practical help to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support; and
- Works with a wide range of sectors (including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, online and health) where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to deal with.

Prevent covers all forms of terrorism and extremism and some aspects of non-violent extremism.

The Home Office works with local authorities, a wide range of government departments, and community organisations to deliver the Prevent strategy. The Police also play a significant role in Prevent, in much the same way as they do when taking a preventative approach to other crimes.

Prevent uses a range of measures to challenge extremism including:

- Supporting people who are at risk of being drawn into terrorist or extremist activity through the Channel process, see the 'What is Channel' section to find out more about this
- Working with and supporting community groups and social enterprise projects who provide services and support to vulnerable people
- Working with faith groups and institutions to assist them in providing support and guidance to people who may be vulnerable; and
- Supporting local schools, local industry and partner agencies through engagement, advice and training.

Prevent is measured locally and nationally to make sure the Prevent programme provides value for money.

- The main aim of Prevent is to stop people from becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.
- At the heart of Prevent is safeguarding children and adults and providing early intervention to protect and divert people away from being drawn into terrorist activity.

- Prevent addresses all forms of terrorism, but continues to ensure resources and effort are allocated on the basis of threats to our national security.

As with other safeguarding risks, staff should be alert to changes in children's behaviour which could indicate that they may be in need of help or protection. Staff should use their judgement in identifying children who might be at risk of radicalisation and act proportionately which may include making a referral to the Channel programme.

## What is Channel?

Channel provides support across the country to those who may be vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism.



The overall aim of the programme is early intervention and diverting people away from the risk they may face.

Channel uses existing collaboration between partners to support individuals and protect them from being drawn into terrorism

Channel is a programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism. It provides a mechanism for schools to make referrals if they are concerned that an individual might be vulnerable to radicalisation.

An individual's engagement with the programme is entirely voluntary at all stages. To make a referral, complete the referral form and send it to the Police Prevent Team

at: [ChannelSW@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ChannelSW@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk)

For advice and guidance in making a referral or about a student causing concern:

Tel. 01179 455536/9 – also contact First Response.

This information is sourced from the 'Let's Talk About It' website, a guide to Prevent for Parents & Carers.

For more information about the Prevent and Channel Strategy please visit: [www.ltai.info](http://www.ltai.info)

## Safeguarding And Prevent Duty:

If you have concerns about a child: Speak to the Designated or Deputy Safeguarding Leads

If a child is at immediate risk  
call the POLICE

**POLICE 999**

To make an URGENT referral ie  
a child is likely to suffer or is  
suffering significant harm, call  
First Response

**FIRST RESPONSE**

**0117 903 6444**

Out of Hours Emergency Duty Team 01454 615 165

To make a NON-URGENT  
referral, contact FIRST  
RESPONSE using the online  
form (must have parent/carers  
consent)

**FIRST RESPONSE**

<https://www2.bristol.gov.uk/form/child-or-young-person-request-support-or-report-concern>

To raise concerns and ask for  
advice about extremism (also  
contact First response)

**PREVENT DUTY**

0117 945 5536

[channelsw@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:channelsw@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk)

For advice and guidance about  
whether to make a referral.

EARLY HELP (N) 0117 352 1499

EARLY HELP (E/C) 0117 941 5886

EARLY HELP (S) 0117 903 7770

For information, advice and  
guidance in relation to  
safeguarding policy and  
procedures

**Schools Safeguarding Advisors**

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If you have concerns about a professional working with a child .....

To raise concerns and ask for  
guidance in relation to the  
conduct of someone who works  
with children

**LOCAL AUTHORITY DESIGNATED OFFICER**

(LADO) Nicola Laird 0117 903 77995

## Bristol Local Authority Reporting Concerns Flow Chart:

