



Safeguarding Children – The Prevent Duty

Policy Statement

The Prevent Duty Guidance places duties on schools and childcare providers around keeping children safe and promoting their welfare. Providers are required to 'have due regard to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism'

Tiddlywinks Pre-School is committed to meeting the legal duties arising from the Prevent Duty, which sets out the need for 'British Values' to help everyone live in safe and welcoming communities where they feel they belong. These British Values are defined as:

- Democracy
- The rule of law
- Individual liberty and mutual respect
- Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs

Not unique to Britain, these values are universal aspirations for equality. As such they are fundamental to helping all children become compassionate, considerate adults who form part of a fair and equal society.

Tiddlywinks Pre-School is committed to demonstrating these values through the management and implementation of the EYFS and through our policies and procedures in relation to equality, behaviour, safeguarding and British Values, with which the Prevent Duty is consistent.

We will focus on children's personal, social and emotional development, ensuring children learn right from wrong, mix and share with other children, value each other's views, know about similarities and differences between themselves and others, and challenge negative attitudes and stereotypes.

All staff are expected to be alert to harmful behaviours by influential adults in the child's life. This may include discriminatory and/or extremist discussions between parents, family and/or staff members.

Staff will take action when they observe behaviour of concern.

Staff are able to identify children who may be vulnerable to radicalisation and know what to do when they are identified.

Staff must assess the risk of children being drawn into terrorism and work in partnership with local partners such as the police, Prevent Co-ordinators, Channel Police Practitioner and their LSCB, to take account of local risks and respond appropriately.

Staff will make referrals to local Channel Panels, Channel Police Practitioner or the LSCB, if there are concerns that an individual may be vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism or extremism.

Staff will assess their training needs in the light of their assessment of risk.

Further information

- Channel Duty Guidance: Protecting Vulnerable People from Being Drawn into Terrorism (HMG 2015)
- Prevent Duty Guidance: for England and Wales (HMG 2015)

Alliance Publications

- Essential Policies & Procedures for the EYFS (2015)
- Guide to the Equality Act and Good Practice (2015)
- Safeguarding Children (2013)

Adoption and annual review of the policy

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	Tiddlywinks Pre-School Committee
held on	22nd April 2024
Signed on behalf of the management committee	
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Role of signatory	Chair