

What is the PREVENT Strategy?

[Prevent](#) is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorist or extremist causes

The [Prevent Strategy](#) covers all types of terrorism and extremism, including the extreme far-right wing and extreme Islamist groups.

- [Educate Against Hate](#) Government advice and trusted resources for parents to safeguard children from radicalisation, build resilience to all types of extremism and promote shared values

How does the Prevent strategy apply to schools and parents?

From July 2015 all schools have a duty to safeguard children from radicalisation and extremism. This means we have a responsibility to protect children from extremist and violent views the same way we protect them from drugs or gang violence.

[The Prevent strategy](#) is not just about discussing extremism itself, which may not be appropriate for younger children. However, it is about teaching children values such as tolerance and mutual respect.

Importantly, we can provide a safe place for pupils to discuss any issues so they better understand how to protect themselves.

Children are spending more time than ever on social media and gaming platforms so it is no surprise that online grooming by extremists is on the rise. Young people are especially being targeted by groups and individuals promoting violence and hatred. Helping your child be digitally savvy and knowing the signs of radicalisation will help keep them safe and protect them from potential risks.

[Netmums](#) have partnered with Counter Terrorism Policing to highlight their safeguarding website, ACT Early, which is for parents, friends and families who are concerned about loved ones at risk of radicalisation. <https://www.netmums.com/act-early>

You want your child to be happy and healthy and that means you already know the places you can get help and advice if they're not well or are struggling at school. Support is also there if you're worried your child is being radicalised or exploited by extremists. <https://actearly.uk/>