

Oaklands Catholic School Prevent Strategy

The Oaklands Prevent Strategy has been written in response to and in line with government guidance and forms part of the government's counter terrorism strategy which seeks to:

•Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and aspects of extremism, and the threat faced from those who promote these views

•Provide practical help to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support

•Work with a wide range of sectors where there are risks of radicalisation which need to be addressed, including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, the internet and health

All schools are required by law to teach a broad and balanced curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral and cultural development of students and prepares them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life.

The purpose of Oaklands School Prevent Strategy is to protect students from harm and to ensure that they are taught in a way that is consistent with the law and British values. To this end it acts to;

- •Raise awareness
- •Provide information
- •Enable learners to make a positive contribution
- •Safeguard young people

At Oaklands School students participate in a broad and balanced curriculum that promotes active learning and develops critical personal thinking skills. The school's focus on active learning and questioning enables students to explore social and emotional aspects of learning through the Personal Development and Citizenship curriculum as well as in individual subject areas. The School actively promotes diversity and shared values between the school community, the local community, the national and global community. We do this by celebrating our own school mission values of 'Community, Unity, Opportunity'.

These values form the basis of our students understanding of wider communities and there are numerous academic and pastoral opportunities that embed this ethos. The school challenges all prejudices, recognising students who are at risk of isolation.

The emphasis on pastoral care through the tutor system, assemblies, The Oaklands Ways (Ethos & Culture) and enrichment activities ensure that the school is a safe place to learn and that anti bullying strategies minimise hate and prejudice based bullying.