# The Education Act (2002) Section 175 states that:

"The Governing Body.....shall make arrangements for ensuring that their functions relating to the conduct of the school are exercised with a view to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children who are pupils at the school."

### Safeguarding Team

Ewanrigg Junior School's Designated Safeguarding

Lead is:

#### MISS YVONNE CRAIG

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## Frequently Asked Questions How does Prevent relate to British Values?

Schools have been required to promote British values since 2014 and this will continue to be part of our response to the Prevent Strategy.

British values include:

- Democracy
- The Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty and Mutual Respect
- Tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

## Isn't my child too young to learn about extremism?

The Prevent strategy is not just about discussing extremism itself, which may not be appropriate for younger children.

It is also about teaching children values such as tolerance and mutual respect. We will make sure that any discussions at school are suitable for the age and maturity of the children involved.

### Is extremism really a risk in our area?

Extremism can take many forms, including political, religious and misogynistic extremism. Some of these may be a bigger threat in our area than others. We aim to give the children the skills to protect them from any extremist views they may encounter now or later in life.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Prevent Strategy and what it means for your child please contact school.

### Ewanrigg Junior School



THE PREVENT STRATEGY

An information leaflet for all Visitors, Parents & Carers.



### What is the Prevent Strategy?

Prevent is a government strategy designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism or extreme causes.

Prevent does NOT aim at one section of the community but the WHOLE community.

# How does the Prevent strategy apply to Ewanrigg Junior School.

From July 2015 all schools (as well as other organisations) have a duty to safeguard children from radicalisation and extremism. This means we have to a responsibility to protect children from extremist and violent views the same way that we protect them from other causes of danger. Importantly, we provide a safe place for children to discuss these issues so they better understand how to protect themselves.

### What does this mean in practice?

Many of the learning experiences that we already do in school to help children become positive, happy members of society also contribute to the Prevent strategy.

These include:

- Exploring other cultures, religions and promoting diversity
- Challenging prejudice and racist comments
- Developing critical thinking skills and a strong positive self-identity
- Promoting the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of children, as well as British values such as democracy

We also protect children from the risk of radicalisation, for example by using 'Cumbria County Filtering System' on the internet to make sure that they cannot access extremist and terrorist material, or by vetting visitors who come to the school to work with children.

Different schools will carry out the Prevent duty in different ways, depending on the age of the children and the needs of the community.

### **Key Terms:**

Extremism - vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values such as democracy, rule of law and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

Ideology - a set of beliefs

Terrorism - a violent action against people or property, designed to create fear and advance a political, religious or ideological cause

Radicalisation- the process which a person comes to support extremism and terrorism.