

## Prevent Update - April 2018

Please share with other senior leaders, safeguarding leaders and subject leaders such as PSHE, Citizenship, RE and Computing. If you wish individuals to be added to this distribution list please email [john.webster@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:john.webster@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

### Key dates coming up

- **May 3: World Press Freedom Day** - this may be an opportunity to promote any work that you doing around propaganda / fake news.
- **May 9: National Teachers Day** – it would be great to share any good news stories of teachers work around developing children's critical thinking or resilience to extremism. If you have any, please let me know as I'd like to promote Portsmouth's practice nationally.
- **May 22: Anniversary of the Manchester Terror Attack** - if there is anything nationally happening, I will pass this on.

### Channel Statistics released March 2018

- Official statistics regarding individuals referred and supported through the Prevent Programme (April to March 2017) were published last month.
- The education sector is joint top source (with the Police) of Prevent referrals accounting for 32% (1,976 of 6,093) of all referrals in 2016.
- Referrals from the educator sector also accounted for the majority of all Channel support cases, with 38% (126 of 332).
- Of those who received Channel support, 68% (226) were aged under 20. This included 27% (90) who were under-15 and 41% (136) who were between 15 and 20.
- Of the 126 Channel support cases that occurred as a result of referrals from the education sector, 49% were for Islamist concerns (62), 43% (55) for Extreme Right Wing and 7% (9) for 'other'.

### Bomb/Attack threat to schools

You will have received guidance LA guidance on this matter. For further reference, here is the gov.uk guidance published in July 2016 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/bomb-threats-guidance/procedures-for-handling-bomb-threats>

### Educate Against Hate - Blog

The latest blog *Radicalisation and Education – How a Birmingham School is Protecting Children from Extremism* looks at a multi-dimensional approach to safeguarding young people.

<https://educateagainsthate.com/blog/posts/radicalisation-schools-school-birmingham-protecting-children-extremism/>

### TES article - Will Baldet

Four things schools can do to combat radicalisation: Promote social activism, Teach citizenship, Encourage debate and Teach critical thinking skills.

<https://www.tes.com/news/promote-social-activism-and-three-other-things-schools-can-do-combat-radicalisation>

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