

How we can support

- During their secondary school years young people are beginning to find their way in life and can be vulnerable to all kinds of influences.
- Talk to your child as often as possible.
- Listen to their fears and encourage positive behaviour.
- Ask questions about changes in their behaviour and offer advice where possible.
- Let your child know that you are happy to discuss anything that worries them.
- Don't underestimate the value of positive family time.



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Keeping students safe

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Staying safe together

Everyone who comes into contact with young people has a role to play in their safety.

We all have access to data, images and communication across the entire globe and it is vital that we understand the dangers, as well as the positives, that come with that access. It's never been easier for young people to access material that potentially poses a threat to themselves, their families and all communities that they are part of.

At Collingwood we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our students. Through our curriculum and other extended learning opportunities, students develop the capacity to think critically and make good choices; they understand right from wrong as well as the impact and consequences that their actions may have on others.

We recognise that safeguarding against radicalisation and extremism is no different from safeguarding against any other vulnerability.

The Prevent Strategy

Prevent is part of the Government's counter-terrorism strategy that aims to stop people becoming terrorists.

It is a multi-agency approach to safeguard people at risk of radicalisation in which all schools have a role.

The Prevent Strategy has three main objectives:

1. Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat we face from those who promote it;
2. Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support;
3. Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation which need to be addressed.

At Collingwood

Students are encouraged to adopt and live out our core values. These complement the 'British Values' of tolerance, mutual respect, individual liberty, democracy and the rule of law.

Students learn how to keep themselves safe when using the internet and when to alert those with responsibility when they suspect inappropriate activities are being promoted or when more vulnerable students might be in danger.

All staff have an understanding of what radicalisation and extremism are and why we need to be vigilant in College; staff will intervene by reporting concerns and evidence of extremist actions or behaviours.

Look for the signs

There are many early indicators that suggest a young person is vulnerable. The following are some of the more obvious signs:

- Not attending school, regularly going missing, coming home late or staying out overnight with no explanation;
- Change in appearance or overt sexualised dress;
- Disengaging from family, friends and other support networks including key workers;
- Becoming secretive;
- Unexplained money or gifts, including mobile phones;
- Being seen in different cars, perhaps with different older people;
- Increased contact with health care;
- Displaying inappropriate sexualised behaviour;
- Having a much older boyfriend / girlfriend;
- Changing peer groups;
- Suffering from sexually transmitted diseases;
- Multiple pregnancies, terminations;
- Drug or alcohol misuse;
- Offending behaviour.

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