

Parent Forum meeting - 12/04/18

Present

Jen Hardy
Lydia Nixon

Chair of Parent Forum
Prevent Education Officer for Lambeth

Agenda

1.	Apologies for absence	
2.	Introductions	Lydia Nixon - Prevent Education Officer for Lambeth
3.	Actions arising from previous meeting	There were no actions from the previous meeting as the focus of this meeting was to hear from Lydia .
4.	Matters arising from previous actions	N/A
5.	Focus for this meeting: Prevent	
	<p>Parents were not aware of Prevent or its role. Lydia explained that it is part of Contest, the government's counter-terrorism strategy. Prevent is a pre-criminal intervention opportunity to stop young people supporting terrorism or becoming terrorists. She impressed the fact that it is a safeguarding and not spying on people.</p> <p>The education sector is the joint top source of referrals to Prevent and 27% of those referrals are for under 15 year olds. Prevent therefore come into schools to help young people build resilience towards extremism and to train teachers/staff to spot sign of vulnerability</p> <p>Lydia spoke about how parents/carers can help with prevention online:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- familiarise yourself with the apps and games being used- be aware that you can often chat to anyone in the world through these apps and games- help your child be careful/aware of what they are liking on Facebook and social media because posts can be misleading and result in filters for what you are subsequently shown thereafter- be aware that on Sheik Google questions can be answered by anyone and are uncensored- on YouTube extremist cartoons can be disguised as well liked ones e.g. Peppa Pig <p>Lydia then spoke about how to build resilience in your child against grooming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- empathise with your child's online world- ask non-judgemental questions- ask open questions (when, where, who, why)- set clear boundaries to be followed by the whole family (not one for them and another for adults)- educate yourself and educate them – familiarise yourself with apps and settings and risks- start conversations young – now!- <p>Attendance was high and parents/carers gave very positive enthusiastic feedback about this session.</p>	
8.	Any other business	Jen asked that any subjects or concerns anyone wished to raise at the next meeting could be emailed to her at parentforum@crownlane.lambeth.sch.uk

9.	Thank you for attending	
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