

## Guidelines for Visiting Speakers

The School values visits from speakers that enrich our pupils' experience of school, providing them with information that helps them make decisions at different phases of their education, widening their understanding of world and global issues and providing motivational inspiration through the sharing of a speaker's experience. Our responsibility to our students is to ensure that they can critically assess the information they receive as to its value to themselves, and that the information is aligned to the ethos and values of the School and British Values.

The "Prevent" statutory guidance (The Prevent Duty: Departmental advice for schools and childcare providers", DfE, June 2015) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance>) requires schools to have clear protocols for ensuring that any visiting speakers whether invited by staff or pupils, are suitable and appropriately supervised.

As per the "Prevent" guidance, visiting speakers are required to agree to the following terms and conditions:

- **The presentation must not incite hatred, violence, or call for the breaking of the law.**
- **The visiting speaker is not permitted to encourage, glorify or promote any acts of terrorism, including individuals, groups or organisations that support such acts.**
- **The visiting speaker must not spread hatred and intolerance of any minority group/s in the community.**
- **The visiting speaker must seek to avoid insulting other faiths or groups, within a framework of positive debate and challenge.**
- **Visiting speakers are not permitted to raise or gather funds for any external organisation of cause without express permission from the Director of Studies.**
- **School staff have the right and responsibility to interrupt and/or stop the presentation for any violation of this agreement.**
- **USB Sticks are not permitted to be used on the School's network.**
- **Please ensure that you send a copy of any presentation/accompanying material to the Organiser at SJCS prior to your visit.**

**Your attendance at the School will be deemed as an indication that you have read and understood these guidelines, and will fully comply with their contents.**

**Please ensure that you bring photographic proof of ID with you on arrival for checking.**

**Visiting Speakers are also required to read the [Safeguarding Guidelines for Contractors and Visitors](#).**