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UK Govt. Labels School Kids Racists, Homophobes

The British Department of Education labeled at least 50,000 school children in Britain as racists and homophobes, the Daily Mail has reported in two stories since January. At least 20,000 three- and four-year-old racists, the government apparently believes, are a major threat on the scepter'd isle.



The newspaper stories detail the contents of two reports from the [Manifesto Club](#), a group that has twice gathered information from the British Department of Education, which keeps an [Orwellian](#) watch on children and what they say to each other.

Indeed, the law in England requires schools to track every possible negative utterance that comes out of a child's mouth.

2010 Data

The data from 2010, the [Mail reported](#), shows that the schools have labeled nearly 35,000 children 11 years old and younger as intolerant bigots. And their names are on file.

One youngster was accused of being racist for calling a boy 'broccoli head' and another was said to be homophobic for telling a teacher 'this work is gay.'

Two primary school children were reported for homophobia after quarrelling over a rubber [eraser] and calling each other 'gay' and 'lesbian.'

Those youngsters reported for petty offences at nursery classes included four in the London borough of Tower Hamlets and three in Hertfordshire.

Schools are forced to report the language to education authorities, which keep a register of incidents.

The exact number is 34,000 for England and Wales, the [Mail reported](#), with 20,000 in the primary schools. "The school can keep the pupil's name and 'crime' on file," the newspaper said, and that "file" is passed up through the school system with the pupil as he moves, rather like a real criminal record.

Even worse, according to the [Mail](#), "if schools are asked for a pupil reference by a future employer or a university, the record could be used as the basis for it, meaning the pettiest of incidents has the potential to blight a child for life."

Manifesto's Adrian Hart said the policy needs curtailing, the [Mail noted](#). He added:

Children need space to play and to learn the meaning of words, without being reported to the local education authority.

These policies are an inappropriate intervention into playground life, and undermine teachers' ability to set a moral example to children and to teach them right from wrong.



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There is a world of difference between racist abuse and primary school playground spats.

[Hart told](#) the *Daily Telegraph*, “Teachers are being forced to report every trivial incident, which undermines their ability to judge how to deal with a situation. This petty bureaucracy only gets in the way of further equality.”

[According to](#) the BBC, two girls landed in hot water because they said a boy who wanted to use lip balm is gay. Another no-no is “gaylord,” British slang for a strongly homosexual male.

2009 Data

Last year, [Manifesto pulled data](#) from the government which showed that nearly 30,000 kids were tarred as “racist.” According to the *Mail*, the data show “29,659 racist incidents reported by schools to local education authorities in England and Wales. Of these, 10,436 were at primary schools and 41 at nursery schools.” The education authority in Barnet, North London, reported 112 incidents. [Reported the Mail](#):

Birmingham City Council had the highest number of any authority, with 1,607 racist incidents, compared with only two each in the Vale of Glamorgan and Hartlepool.

In the majority of cases, the “racist” spats involved mere name-calling.

Yet in 51 cases police became involved, with Hertfordshire schools turning to officers for help in 38 incidents. ...

A spotlight on just 15 LEAs [local education authorities] discovered 341 homophobic incidents logged by schools in 2008-9, including 120 at primaries. A staggering 112 such incidents were reported in Barnet, North London.

At one primary, teachers filled out an incident form after three Year Four pupils, aged eight or nine, told a classmate he was ‘gay’ and could not play with them.

Stamp Out Racism

A supporter of this Orwellian attempt at mind control [explained to](#) the BBC why keeping track of everything a youngster utters is so important: “When children are using this sort of language in a derogatory manner, or to use it when they’re putting somebody down, for example, then absolutely we need to intervene.”

And it’s an example ... of casual homophobia, or casual racism.

And if we do challenge that behavior early and challenge the use of that language early, we can actually make sure children understand that sometimes it’s not right to be using that language, and therefore as they grow up ... they will not use it in the future.

In January, when the Manifesto Club released data for last year, [Hart said](#), “Childhood itself is under attack. It’s absolutely the case that these policies misunderstand children quite profoundly.”

As [he told](#) the BBC last week, “Let’s trust teachers to deal with incidents in the classroom as they see fit.” He added,

Once you have a zero-tolerance-report-everything-to-the-local-authority approach foisted on schools ... there’s no space for teachers to apply their professional judgment. So anything that seems a little bit racist or homophobic gets reported, sometimes involving letters home to parents and a meeting with the head teacher. And of course, the mindset driving this is that you have to



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keep a constant vigil to nip it in the bud. And through zero tolerance ... the mindset is that you send out a message that racism and homophobia [are] unacceptable. But I say kids don't work this way, and I'm glad they don't. They'd be like robots. ...

If that was true that this worked, then you have to ask how my generation, who went to school in the '70s, who were spared this bureaucracy, managed to form the most liberalized, tolerant generation ever.

Muslims Get Away With It

One group gets away with such offenses, however. As [The New American reported](#) in June, British police are hiding Muslim crime from the public, and are not stopping the very serious wave of anti-homosexual activities among Muslims in such Islamic neighborhoods as Tower Hamlets, the scene last week of the [Muslim attack](#) on a bus containing members of the [English Defense League](#).

In Tower Hamlets, the "gay community has become a particular target of extremists. Homophobic crimes in the borough have risen by 80 per cent since 2007/8, and by 21 per cent over the last year, a period when there was a slight drop in London as a whole," the [Telegraph reported](#) in June. It continued,

Last year, a mob of 30 young Muslims stormed a local gay pub, the George and Dragon, beating and abusing patrons. Many customers of the pub told *The Sunday Telegraph* that they have been attacked and harassed by local Muslim youths. In 2008 a 20-year-old student, Oli Hemsley, was left permanently paralysed after an attack by a group of young Muslims outside the pub. Only one of his assailants has been caught and jailed.

The Muslims are so bold they even disrupt public meetings to attack homosexuals, the [Telegraph reported](#):

The Labour leader, Josh Peck, was attacked with animal noises and cries of "Unnatural acts! Unnatural acts!" when he rose to speak. The Conservative leader, Peter Golds, was repeatedly heckled as "Mrs Golds" and a "poofter."

Mr Golds said: "If that happened in a football stadium, arrests would have taken place. I have complained, twice, to the police, and have heard nothing. A Labour colleague waited three hours at the police station before being told that nothing would be done. The police are afraid of being accused of Islamophobia. Another Labour councillor said that the Met is now the reverse of what it must have been like in the 1970s, with a complete lack of interest when white people make complaints of harassment and hatred."

The [Telegraph also reported](#) that [Peter Tatchell](#), a professional homosexual in Britain, flatly says the police don't care about anti-homosexual crime and hatred:

The police said no-one was allowed to talk publicly about this because they didn't want to upset the Muslim community. We've made very clear the difference between the Muslim community as a whole and these particular fundamentalists, and the fact that the police wouldn't publicly say what they knew was an absolute disgrace.

A popular game among Muslims in Britain is "[spot the fag](#)," an event held in at least one mosque, and no one in Britain seems to be tracking how many play the game, or who is posting stickers in Tower Hamlets calling it a "gay-free zone."

It is also, apparently, a British-free zone as well, at least the way some in the government see it. When



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the Muslims attacked the EDL's bus, [police arrested](#) not the Muslims but the EDL members.



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