Schoolchildren are converting to Islam 'out of fear' in German schools:

Schoolchildren are converting to Islam in German schools as Christian students feel like outsiders and are desperate to try and fit in, a <u>new study has warned</u>.

'More and more parents of German children are turning to counselling centres because the Christian children want to convert so that they are no longer outsiders at school,' a state security officer told German tabloid <u>Bild</u>.

A study by the Criminal Research Institute of Lower Saxony found that 67.8 per cent of the surveyed students believe that the Koran is 'more important' than the laws in Germany. Nearly half of them (45.6 per cent) think that 'Islamic Theocracy is the best form of government'.

In several schools in large cities like Berlin or Frankfurt, Muslim children make up more than 80 per cent of the student body, which the expert claims is due to the strong immigration in the last eight years.

'When girls at school behave too westernised in the eyes of Muslim young people, don't wear a headscarf or meet boys, the male students think they have to defend their honour and warn the girls to behave like a devout Muslim,' the state security officer said. 'In addition, there is also peer pressure: you want to belong.'

They added that the male Muslim students can 'appear very threatening and sometimes violent' in their pursuit to ensure girls abide by the rules of the Koran.

Due to this, 'parallel societies' can be seen emerging in

schools as the Muslim students assume a dominant role.

Questions on violence against non-Muslims revealed shocking beliefs held by the youngsters.

More than a third (35.3 per cent) said that they can understand violence against people who insult Allah or the prophet Mohammed.

Meanwhile **21.2** per cent think that the threat to Islam from the Western world justifies Muslims violently defending themselves.

In addition, 18.1 per cent of the children believe that violence is justified if it is to spread and implement Islam.

Carl Philipp Schroeder, from the research institute which conducted the study, told local media: 'The data in the latest Lower Saxony survey gives cause for concern and shows how important political education is in schools.' The state security officer also warned that Islamist propaganda on social media was ripe, with Islamist pop stars using TikTok to 'convince students that they have to oppose the Western way of life'. They said that children are being told 'that only a caliphate is the right form of government' and that Muslim students are 'special', while non-Muslim students, like Christians, are 'worthless'.