



Wednesday 20th March 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you that our school is participating in Operation Encompass that will launch on 29th March 2019. This initiative has been implemented across the whole of the Lancashire Police area.

Operation Encompass is a unique Police and Education early intervention safeguarding partnership which ensures that a child's school is informed, prior to the start of the next school day, that there has been an incident of Domestic Abuse to which the child or young person has been exposed, and which might then have an impact on them in school the following day.

The partnership recognises that all incidents of Domestic Abuse can be harmful to children and young people. Each school is informed of all Domestic Abuse incidents. Information will only be shared with the school by the police where it is identified that a young person was present, witnessed or was involved in a domestic abuse incident.

A nominated member of staff, known as an Encompass Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. They will usually be the school Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL). They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the school makes provision for possible difficulties experienced by children or their families. The Key Adults will keep this information confidential. If you would like some more information about the initiative, you can view it online at www.operationencompass.org.

If you feel that there are any concerns, you can talk in confidence to our safeguarding leads Mrs Riley or Mrs Gibbons.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Gibbons

Principal