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Dear Parent/Carer,

Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school we have ensured that a members of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Leads) known as a Key Adults have been fully trained in liaising with police and Children's Social Care when required, and will ensure that the necessary support is made available to the child or young person following the disclosure of a domestic abuse incident.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

You can also find out more information regarding support that is available for adults and children here <http://www.operationencompass.org/> and <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03y9r5h>

Kind regards

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