



4th March 2024

Dear Families,

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 and other issues that may impact upon their wellbeing.

Our police force will now share details about children who are missing from home with us so that we can appropriately understand and support their needs when they return.

As a school we have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care. In our school the Designated Safeguarding Lead is Ms Bleasdale, and the Operational Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Jones.

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. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Ms Bleasdale or Mrs Jones.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jo Leech'.

Ms Jo Leech
Headteacher

A blue icon consisting of a circle with a cross inside, positioned to the left of the text 'OPERATION ENCOMPASS' in large, bold, blue capital letters. Below this, the tagline 'In every force. In every school. For every child.' is written in a smaller, blue font.

