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Operation Encompass Safeguarding Statement

Our school is part of Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is a police and education early intervention safeguarding partnership which supports children and young people who experience Domestic Violence and Abuse.

Children were recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right in the 2021 Domestic Abuse Bill.

Operation Encompass means that the police will share information with our school about all police attended Domestic Abuse incidents which involve any of our children PRIOR to the start of the next school day.

Once a Key Adult (DSL) has attended either an Operation Encompass briefing or completed the online Key Adult training they will cascade the principles of Operation Encompass to all DDSL's and all other school staff.

Our parents are fully aware that we are an Operation Encompass school.

The Operation Encompass information is stored in line with all other confidential safeguarding and child protection information.

The Key Adult has also led training for all school staff and Governors about Operation Encompass, the prevalence of Domestic Abuse and the impact of this abuse on

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children. We have also discussed how we can support the our children who are experiencing Domestic Violence and Abuse on a day to day basis and particularly following the Operation Encompass notification.

We are aware that we must do nothing that puts the child/ren or the non-abusing adult at risk.

The Safeguarding Governor will report on Operation Encompass in the termly report to Governors. All information is anonymised for these reports.

The Key Adult has used the Operation Encompass Toolkit to ensure that all appropriate actions have been taken by the school.