

St Mary's CE Primary School

'Nurturing Success'



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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Operation Encompass

I am writing to let you know about an innovative project that schools in Humberside are participating in. The project, called Operation Encompass, is being run in partnership with Humberside Police.

The project aims to support children who are affected by Domestic Abuse. Being exposed to domestic abuse is distressing for a young person, who can often see the abuse, hear it from another room, see a parent's injuries or distress afterwards or be physically hurt trying to stop the abuse.

As a result, following any domestic abuse incident being reported into Humberside Police specialist Police Officers will make contact with the school and communicate relevant and necessary information to nominated and trained school staff. This will ensure that the school is made aware before the start of the next school day and can subsequently provide support in a way that means the child feels safe.

Each school has a member of staff (key adult) who has been fully trained to liaise with the Police, when required, and will ensure that necessary support is made available to the child following the disclosure of a domestic abuse incident.

I believe that this project demonstrates the schools commitment to working in partnership, to safeguard and protect children, and to providing the best possible care and support for our pupils.

In the meantime, if you would like to speak to someone about the project or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Robinson via the school office.

You can also find out more information through accessing the following website:

<http://www.operationencompass.org/>

Yours sincerely,

Laura Wallis
Acting Head Teacher

ACC Andy McDyer
Humberside Police

