



**STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE**

Monday 1st February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware, in schools, safeguarding is the number one priority and the key to its effectiveness is communication between ourselves and various outside agencies and authorities. Therefore, we are very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to take part in a new initiative that will run jointly between schools and Staffordshire Police and are proud to say that we are now an 'Operation Encompass School'.

Operation Encompass is a partnership and allows Staffordshire Police to report to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person attending that school has experienced/witnessed any domestic abuse incident.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school staff – the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) - is trained to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to ensure that the school is able to make immediate provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have experienced a domestic abuse incident.

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

Signed

Miss V Hulme

Head Teacher