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Domestic Violence Notice to Schools

The school is part of a jointly run operation between Northamptonshire County Council, Northamptonshire Police and our school; the national name for this process is **Operation Encompass**. Encompass has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who may have been affected by incidents of domestic violence. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they are involved in, present or witness to domestic abuse.

Under this scheme the school will receive notification from the County Council following any domestic incident that a child at their school may have been affected by. The school have designated safeguarding leads as Key Adults. They have received guidance from Northamptonshire County Council to allow them to use the information that has been shared, in confidence to make sure that the right support is available for children and their families.

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

If you have, any concerns or questions then please contact one of the Designated Leads and we will be happy to discuss this further. Information on the designated leads can be found on the staff list on the school website.

Further information about the project can be found on the web link below and is available from the school office on request.

<https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/help-and-protection-for-children/protecting-children-information-for-professionals/Pages/domestic-abuse-notification-to-schools.aspx>