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Head Teacher: Neil Oxley

Dear Parent/Carer.

I am writing to advise you that Oaklands School is part of Operation Encompass. This is a police initiative, which supports children and young people who have witnessed or experienced Domestic Abuse.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools of any domestic abuse incidents that occur outside of school, which might have an impact on a child in school. This is communicated to school following an incident.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school staff, known as a Key Adult, can liaise with the police and use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been experienced a domestic abuse incident. If we receive an Encompass call, the Key Adult will make sure that a person the child trusts is available to help – if the child needs this. Most of the time this support is silent; keeping a careful eye on him or her and making sure the child has a calm school day.

All schools have a duty to share any information with other organisations if they feel a child is at risk of being hurt. The Key Adult may contact other organisations.

The sharing of information from the Police allows the school to be ready to help your child straight away, and it means that parents are aware that the Key Adult knows that something has happened. Parents can speak with our Key Adult. The Key Adult can point you towards other people that can help. Our aim is to support children and their families.

Our Operation Encompass Key Adults are:

- Tamsyn Bradley: Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Martine Clewes: Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Neil Oxley: Headteacher

If you would like more information about Operation Encompass, details can be viewed online at <a href="https://www.operationencompass.org/">https://www.operationencompass.org/</a>

Yours sincerely,

Tamsyn Bradley

Assistant Head Teacher

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Designated Teacher for Children in Care (CiC)

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