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"Learning together, growing together, achieving together, caring together within our Christian family"

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter is to inform you that our school is participating in Operation Encompass. All schools in Lancashire have been asked to participate.

Operation Encompass is a unique Police and Education early intervention safeguarding partnership which ensures that a child's school is informed, prior to the start of the next school day, that there has been an incident of Domestic Abuse to which the child or young person has been exposed, and which might then have an impact on them in school the following day.

Each school is informed of all Domestic Abuse incidents, not just those where an offence can be identified or those which are graded as high risk. The partnership recognises that all incidents of Domestic Abuse can be harmful to children and young people.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. At Bretherton Endowed our Key Adult is myself, Alison Moxham. They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the school makes provision for possible difficulties experienced by children or their families. The Key Adults will keep this information confidential, and will only share it on a need to know basis.

This initiative has been implemented across the whole of the Lancashire Police area. If you would like some more information about it, you can view it online at www.operationencompass.org.

We are keen to offer the best support possible for our pupils and know how damaging domestic abuse within a child's household can be. A recent review of Operation Encompass showed that it is beneficial and supportive for all those involved.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Moxham Headteacher















