



BEESTON HALL SCHOOL

3rd November 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

I am writing to inform you that the school will be taking part in a jointly run operation between Norfolk County Council, Norfolk Police and our school. This is called Operation Encompass. Encompass has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who have been present at incidents of domestic abuse and violence. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they are involved in, present or witness to domestic violence.

The school will receive a confidential phone call or a secure AnyComms+ email from Norfolk Children's Advice and Duty Service before 9.00 am or as soon as possible thereafter, on the morning after any domestic incident which Norfolk Police have recorded a child at our school has been involved in, present or witness to domestic violence.

The school's Designated Safeguarding Leads are Paul Leaver, Fred de Falbe and Holly Davies and are also the Key Adults. Our Key Adults have received training from Norfolk County Council to allow them to use the information that has been shared to make sure that the right support is available for children and their families who have been involved in or witnessed a domestic violence incident.

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 above Key Adults and they will be happy to discuss this further.

Further information about the project can be found at <https://www.operationencompass.org/> and is available from the school office on request

Yours sincerely,

Paul Leaver

Designated Safeguarding Lead

