



Dear Parent and Carer,

I am writing to inform you that our school has been given the opportunity to take part in a new operation that will run jointly with Sussex Police.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools and colleges of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was either present, ordinarily resides at the incident location, or with an involved party. We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and this operation will allow us to better support our pupils and their families.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, will be trained to liaise with the police. At Durrington High School we will have a team of Key Adults, those being Miss Squires, Mr Woodcock and myself. We will be able to use information that has been shared with us, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available should it be required by a child and/or their family.

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

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me at the school and further information can be found on the website <http://www.operationencompass.org/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

**Mr J Fuller**  
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