



# Elmwood School



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LC/DEC

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Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: OPERATION ENCOMPASS**

I am writing to inform you that the school will be taking part in a jointly run operation between Walsall Council, West Midlands Police and our school, it 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 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 communication from the Operation Encompass Administrator before 10am on the morning after any domestic incident where a child at their school has been involved in, present or witness to domestic violence.

The school have designated staff namely, Mr Lee Cross, Acting Head and Ms Beverley Bailey, Family Welfare Officer, as Key Adults. They have received training from Walsall Borough 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, 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 either myself or Bev and we will be happy to discuss this further. Further information about the project can be found on our school's website and is available from the school office on request.

Yours sincerely

MR L CROSS  
ACTING HEAD



Dyslexia Friendly School Level 1 Award



Walsall's Anti-Bullying Charter Mark – Silver Award

