



Wednesday 23rd June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that Pool Hayes Academy will be taking part in a jointly run operation between Walsall Council, West Midlands Police and our Academy called Operation Encompass. This has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who have been present at incidents of domestic abuse. We know that children can be traumatised when they are involved in, present or witness to domestic abuse and may need emotional and practical support.

Our academy will receive a confidential communication from the Police Operation Encompass on the morning after any police notification or attended domestic abuse incident.

Our academy has a Designated Safeguarding Lead who has received training to allow them to use the information that has been shared in confidence, to make sure that the right support is offered at the right time, for our children, young people and families.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to our students and we have adopted Operation Encompass as we believe this is extremely beneficial to meeting the needs of our students.

If you have any concerns or questions, then please contact our Safeguarding team or myself, who will be happy to discuss this further. Further information about the project can be found on our academy website – <https://poolhayes.atrust.org.uk/> or by emailing office@poolhayes.atrust.org.uk

Further information is also available at: www.operationencompass.org

Yours sincerely,

Mr T McDowall
Principal

