



# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School

*"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10*



Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **RE: Operation Encompass – Safeguarding Children**

Our school is part of Operation Encompass, which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school setting we have ensured that a member of our staff, (Sarah Coombe, the Designated Safeguarding Lead, or in her absence, Nicky Finch, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures, allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/children in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

On 24 May 2024 Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law.

This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/educational settings.

We recognise and welcome that through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support to our children.

Yours sincerely,

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