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Dear Parent / 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 / colleges of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or with an involved party. It is known that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and this operation will allow the school to better support our children and their families.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police and will receive the information from the police following an incident. At Downview Primary School I am the nominated Key Adult and will be able to use information that has been shared with me, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available should it be required by a child and / or their family.

Operation Encompass has already proved to be very effective in providing appropriate support to children. We are always keen to offer the best support available to our children and believe this is going to be extremely beneficial and supportive for all those involved.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in complete confidence if you have any concerns or questions

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Williams
Headteacher