Stanford Infant School
'Exploring and Learning Together, Inspiring Each Other'

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Operation Encompass
Supporting children and young people exposed to domestic abuse

Dear Stanford Infant School Families

I am writing to let you that our school, along with other schools in Brighton and Hove, we are part of Operation Encompass. This is a joint project with Sussex Police, which started in January 2019. The project provides early reporting to schools of any domestic abuse incidents involving children (i.e. incidents in which a child was either present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or resides with an involved party).

We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and the purpose of this operation is to enable schools to better support children and their families.

Each school has a nominated member of school staff, known as a Key Adult, who is trained to liaise with the Police. The Key Adult for our school is Miss Remnant, our Deputy Head and Inclusion Leader and Designated Safeguarding Lead. I have the role of Deputy Key Adult, for when Miss Remnant is unavailable. The role of the Key Adult(s) is to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available, should it be required, by a child and/or their family. As always, we are keen to offer the best support available to our children and families and we believe this joined up approach will facilitate this.

For those who would like to know more about Operation Encompass, additional information is available at www.operationencompass.org.

A reminder that information about a wide range of local services for families that can be found at www.familyinfobrighton.org.uk.

If you have any concerns or questions then please contact Miss Remnant, our Key Adult, who will be happy to discuss this further with you.

Kind regards

Madeleine Denyer
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