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Dear Parent / Carer,

The Cumberland School has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and Newham Borough Metropolitan Police.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools before 10am on a school day when a child or young person has been involved or exposed to a domestic abuse incident the previous evening.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school staff, known as a **Designated Safeguarding Lead**, is trained to allow them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in, or exposed to, a domestic abuse incident.

N.B. Any information shared as part of this project is kept confidentially by the school.

We are keen to offer the best help and support possible to all our students and we believe this will be extremely beneficial in effectively meeting the needs of the children and families involved.

Please speak to myself or Angela Moore (Designated Safeguarding Lead), if you have any questions about the project.



Gillian Dineen
Headteacher