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Dear Family,

Our school has been given the opportunity to take part in a new operation that will run jointly with Bedfordshire Police and Luton Children's Social Care.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or with an involved party. We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse and this operation will allow us to better support our pupils and their families.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Single Point of Contact (SPOC), will be identified to receive in the information. At William Austin Junior School our SPOC is our Inclusion Manager, Mrs Douglas. She will be able to use information that has been shared with her, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available should it be required by a child.

We are keen to offer the best support available to our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

If you have any concerns or questions then please contact Mrs Douglas who will be happy to help on 01582 572100.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Adams
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