

## St. Margaret's Church of England Academy

"Achievement by faith and work"





15th April 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to remind you that 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 and other issues that may impact upon their wellbeing. (Please be aware that the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.)

A recent update to the scheme means that Merseyside Police will now also share with us details about children who are missing from home so that we can appropriately understand and support their needs when they return.

As a school we have ensured that a member of our staff has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the children in our care.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this scheme continues to be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions,

Yours faithfully

Dan Silverstone (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

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