

The safety of our children at
Waltham St Lawrence Primary School
is our Number One Priority

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)
is:

Mr David Errington (Headteacher)

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)
are:

Mrs Giovanna Brancato (Key Stage 1 Team Leader) Mrs Jo
Waite (Key Stage 2 Team Leader)

Our SEMH Lead and Inclusion Coordinator (SENCo)
is:

Miss Chelsea Painter

Our Designated Safeguarding Governor
is:

Mrs Sam Teague (Chair of Governors)

Our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant
is:

Mrs Louise Ramsay

Do you have a concern about a child's safety?

RBWM LADO: 07774 332675

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Police (Emergency): 999

Police (Non-emergency): 101

Are you a child who is concerned about
your own or someone else's safety?

Childline: 0800 1111

Police (Emergency): 999

Police (Non-emergency): 101

Waltham St Lawrence Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all of our children and families and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, including our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy which can be viewed in the Policies Section of our school website.

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

We actively support the Government's Prevent Agenda to counter radicalism and extremism as well as British Values.

We are proud to be an 'Operation Encompass' school; a police-led initiative to support children who may have witnessed or been affected by domestic abuse.

Photographs and Videos

Whilst lots of Parents and Carers really enjoy seeing photos and videos of their children's school life, we are very mindful of our duty of care towards all our pupils. We take the issue of safeguarding very seriously and this includes the use of photographic and video images.

Any photographs or videos taken by Parents, Carers and relatives at school productions, sports days or other events are for the enjoyment of individual families. They must not be used in any way that could potentially place a child at risk. This would include publishing images in any form of print or on the internet including social networking sites. This is emphasised before concerts and shows.

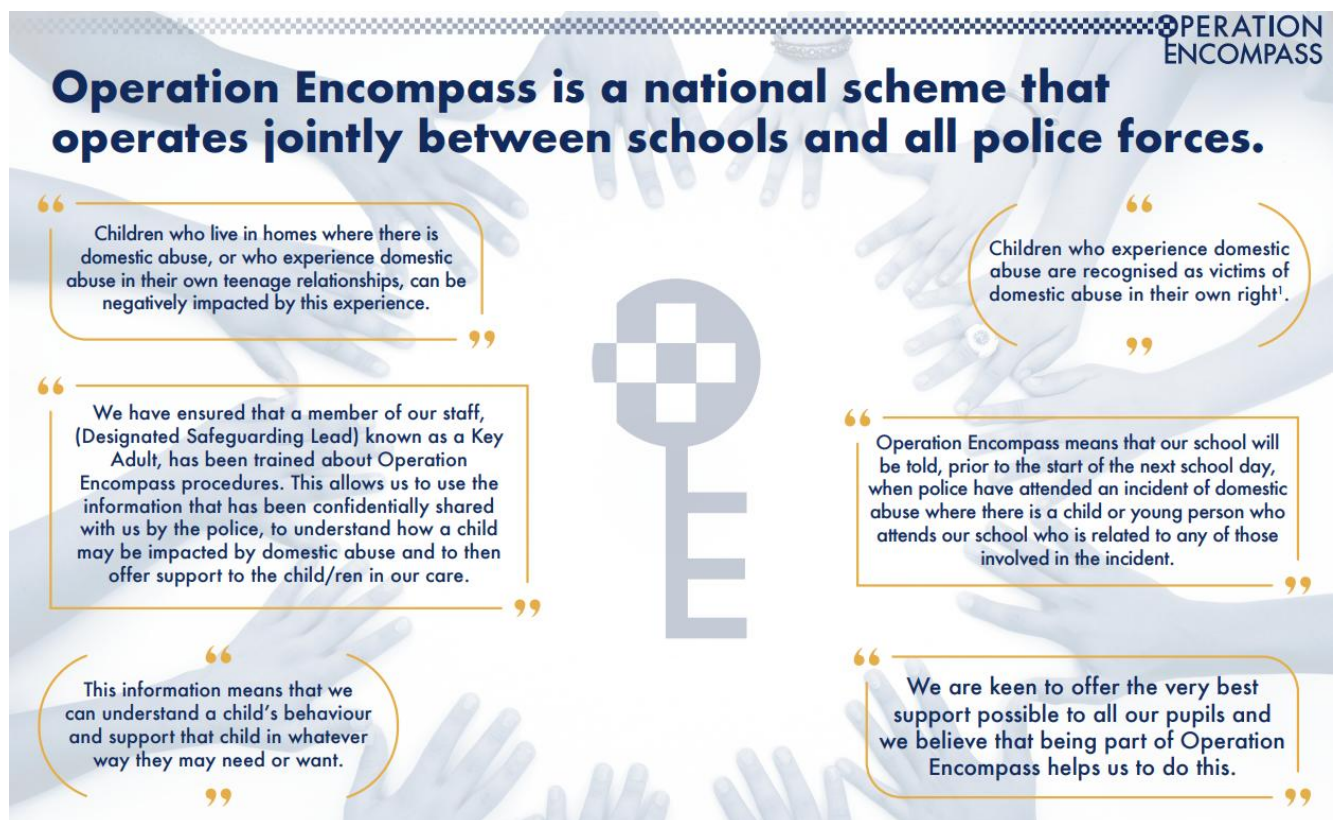
In line with GDPR regulation, the school has a strict policy in which the permission of Parents/Carers when using pictures of our children for internal and external use.

Partnership Working: Operation Encompass

Operation Encompass is a police and education early information safeguarding partnership enabling schools to offer immediate support to children experiencing domestic abuse.

Operation Encompass ensures that there is a simple telephone call or notification to a school's trained Designated Safeguarding Lead /Officer (known as Key Adult) prior to the start of the next school day after an incident of police attended domestic abuse where there are children related to either of the adult parties involved.

Information is shared with a school's Key Adult (Designated Safeguarding Lead or Officer) prior to the start of the next school day after officers have attended a domestic abuse incident. This sharing of information enables appropriate support to be given, dependent upon the needs and wishes of the child.



OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces.

“Children who live in homes where there is domestic abuse, or who experience domestic abuse in their own teenage relationships, can be negatively impacted by this experience.”

“Children who experience domestic abuse are recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right’.

“We have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained about Operation Encompass procedures. This allows us to use the information that has been confidentially shared with us by the police, to understand how a child may be impacted by domestic abuse and to then offer support to the child/ren in our care.”

“Operation Encompass means that our school will be told, prior to the start of the next school day, when police have attended an incident of domestic abuse where there is a child or young person who attends our school who is related to any of those involved in the incident.”

“This information means that we can understand a child’s behaviour and support that child in whatever way they may need or want.”

“We are keen to offer the very best support possible to all our pupils and we believe that being part of Operation Encompass helps us to do this.”

<https://www.operationencompass.org>