

Encompass Parents Awareness Letter

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Bolton Encompass

Our school is part of a project that runs in partnership with Bolton Safeguarding Children Partnership and Greater Manchester Police.

The project, Bolton Encompass, has been designed to provide early reporting to schools of any domestic abuse incidents that occur outside of school but which might have an impact on a child attending school the following day. This information will be shared on school days during the school term. When incidents occur on a Friday, Saturday or a Sunday, the police will contact the relevant school the following Monday.

There are nominated members of school staff, known as Key Adults who are appointed to liaise with the police. At St. Matthew's Primary School our Key Adults are Mrs Vahida Patel (Headteacher/Designated Safeguarding Lead), Mrs Alison Worthington (Deputy Headteacher/Designated Safeguard Lead), Mrs Emma Stryker (SENDCo/Designated Safeguard Lead), Mrs Claire Boyd (Teacher/Pastoral/Designated Safeguard Lead), and Mrs Anna Phillips (Teacher/Pastoral/Designated Safeguard Lead). They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the school is able to support children and their families. Information will be shared where it is identified that a child or young person was present, witnessed or was involved in a domestic abuse incident.

We always endeavour to offer the best support possible to our pupils and believe that Bolton Encompass is going to be beneficial and supportive for all concerned children and families.

Some information about Encompass is included in this letter but if you would like more information about this initiative, details can be viewed online at www.st-matthews.bolton.sch.uk or you can contact any of our Key Adults at school on 01204 333005.

Yours sincerely

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