



Registered Charity Number 1089094

Date as per cover email

Dear Parent/Carer,

St Joseph's Pre-school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools (including early years providers) and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools/early years providers, prior to the start of the next school/pre-school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a Pre-school setting we have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

On 24 May 2024 Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law. This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/educational settings.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pre-school children and through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support to our children.

Yours sincerely

Anna Hitchings

Mrs Anna Hitchings
Chair, St Joseph's Pre-school's Committee