

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Butterfly Rooms (Inc Woodlands Ltd) is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between educational settings and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools/educational settings, 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.

Our police force will now share details about children who are missing from home with us so that we can appropriately understand and support their needs when they return.

As an educational 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 children in our care.

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

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

Claire Gilliam
Setting Manager