

Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School "Nurturing curiosity and inspiring imagination"



Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to inform you that our school participates in a Police-led initiative called Operation Encompass, a scheme which will ensure that we can better support any child where a domestic incident has been reported to Police from their home. Within every school a trained Key Adult is appointed – a trained Designated or Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. The Key Adult receives information about abusive incidents directly via email from the police prior to the start of the next school day that the police have attended an incident of domestic abuse to which a child has been exposed. This timely knowledge enables a plan for appropriate support to be made for that child so that all interactions, from when the child first arrives at the school gates, are of a positive nature.

The initiative was launched county-wide at the beginning of 2015. It is active in all Warrington schools across the local authority and in a number of schools in the areas of Halton, Cheshire West & Chester and Cheshire East with success. You can find out more about Operation Encompass via the following site: http://www.operationencompass.org/

If you would like to speak to someone further about the initiative, or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Kirsten Matthews, Deputy Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead.

We are committed to working in partnership with local relevant organisations to safeguard and protect children across Cheshire and provide the best possible care and support for our pupils.

Yours faithfully

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Marcia Atherton Head teacher

## DATA PROTECTION

Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School aims to ensure that all personal data collected about staff, pupils, parents, governors, visitors and other individuals is collected, stored and processed in accordance with the <u>General Data Protection Regulation</u> (<u>GDPR</u>) and the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA 2018). Please visit our website for further details – <u>www.sandylanenurseryandforestschool.co.uk</u>

