



Tuesday 9th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to let you know that Himbleton CE Primary School and Nursery is continuing to take part in the national domestic violence awareness scheme, Operation Encompass, which is being run locally in partnership with Worcestershire County Council and West Mercia Police.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, ideally prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school, we have ensured that a member of our staff, (in our school, the Designated Safeguarding Lead/Headteacher) 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 provide emotional and practical 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 want to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe that where it is necessary to share information such as this, it will be beneficial in helping us to achieve that goal. If you have any questions or should you wish to discuss the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me,

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mrs Shaw".

Mrs Shaw
Head Teacher/Designated Safeguarding Lead

