



# Safeguarding Newsletter

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## What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding ensures that every child, regardless of their age, disability, gender identity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, has a right to equal protection from harm. Safeguarding is the steps that people take to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm. Types of Abuse- click the picture for more information



### PHYSICAL ABUSE

The non-accidental physical injury of a child. The inadvertent result of physical punishment or physically aggressive treatment of a child.



### SEXUAL ABUSE

Any act of sexual nature upon or with a child for the sexual gratification of the perpetrator or a third party, including anyone who allowed or encouraged it.



### EMOTIONAL ABUSE

Chronic attitudes or acts which interfere with the psychological and social development of a child. When a parent or caregiver harms a child's mental and social development or causes severe emotional harm.



### NEGLECT

Child-rearing practices which are essentially inadequate or dangerous. The failure to act on behalf of the child; not providing the care, supervision, affection, and support needed for a child's health, safety, and well-being.

## Operation Encompass



Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces. Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, 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 key members of staff follow 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

## British Values spotlight on:

### RESPECT AND TOLERANCE

Respect and tolerance are words that describe how we treat other people. If we respect someone, we treat them in a way that shows we value them and think they are important. If we are tolerant of something, it shows we accept the differences between people.

This is the understanding that we are all different and have different beliefs and values. It is accepting and respecting this, and involves no one person or group of people thinking they are more important, more deserving or better than anyone else. We all have the right to live healthy, safe and happy lives, where our different values are a respected.



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