

Operation Encompass

What is Operation Encompass?

Operation Encompass was initially launched in Plymouth in February 2011 to address a shortcoming in the early sharing of information with schools. This proved to be very successful in providing appropriate support in a timely manner and has had positive outcomes for many children and young people.

The purpose of Operation Encompass is to safeguard and support children and young people who have been involved in a domestic abuse incident. Following an incident at home, children will often arrive at school distressed, upset and unprepared for the day.

Sunderland City Council, Northumbria Police and nominated Key Adults in school work together to make sure that school staff are made aware of an incident early enough to support pupils in school.

Sunderland City Council, Northumbria Police and all schools in Sunderland are involved in the scheme, to help provide additional support which will benefit children and young people in Sunderland and improve multi-agency sharing of information.

As part of this scheme, some year groups will have the opportunity to be involved in planned sessions around: Friendships and Relationships, Emotions and Empathy, Rules and Boundaries.

In addition to this a number of drop in session will be available for parents and carers throughout the year. The first of these parent/carer drop in sessions took place on 09.12.19, there are a further two drop in sessions planned for 12.02.20 from 15:30-16:00 and 04.03.20 from 15:30-16:00. A member of the Operation Encompass Team will be available in school during these time if you would like to speak to them. Please come to the school reception and a member of staff will be there to meet you.