



Operation Encompass



Our school participates in a national scheme called 'Operation Encompass' which is a joint partnership between Staffordshire Police and schools. One of the principles of Operation Encompass is that all incidents of domestic abuse are shared with schools, not just those where an offence can be identified. This system has been established to help schools provide in-school support to children who have been present at, exposed to, or involved in any domestic abuse incident. We know that children can be significantly harmed, physically and/or emotionally during these situations, and that it also negatively affects their learning & behaviour. Therefore, as part of the Operation Encompass procedure the school receives an email from Staffordshire Police the morning after a child has been witness to, or involved in any recorded domestic abuse incident. We are then able to use this information to provide the right support to any child and their family as and when they need it.

All our DSLs have recently updated their knowledge and understating in this safeguarding area by completing the new national **Operation Encompass** Training.

Please click on the link if you wish to find out more about Operation Encompass in schools:

[Home : Operation Encompass](#)



Staff Training, Key Documents and Policies

We have updated our safeguarding tab on our website with lots of information to support you as parents and carers. Please feel free to signpost friends and family to the tab too if they would find any of the resources and materials supportive and useful. [Safeguarding – Marlfields Primary Academy](#)



During the year our Designated Safeguarding Leads have kept their safeguarding knowledge and experience up to date with a range of Level 3 courses including; Domestic Abuse, Parental Conflict and Child Sexual Abuse.

All staff take part in weekly safeguarding briefings to keep their knowledge and understanding up to date too.

We have reviewed various safeguarding policies during the spring and summer terms. These include:

- Social Media Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy which includes our Child-Friendly Anti-Bullying Policy
- E-Safety Policy
- Looked After Children Policy

Working together to keep our children safe...



At Marlfields Primary School safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do. We believe that every child has the right to feel safe, valued, and supported—both in school and beyond. As part of our ongoing commitment to child protection, we want to keep you informed and involved in how we work together to ensure the wellbeing of all our pupils.

How you can help at home...

Parents and carers play a vital role in safeguarding. Here are a few ways you can support your child's safety and wellbeing:

- **Talk regularly:** Create a safe space for open conversations about feelings, friendships, and online activity.
- **Stay informed:** Know what apps and games your child is using and set appropriate boundaries. Check privacy settings on your child's devices and social media accounts. Make sure they know not to share personal information with people they don't know in real life.
- **Be alert:** If something doesn't feel right—whether it's a change in behaviour or something your child says—trust your instincts and reach out to school staff.

Don't forget to also download the free National Online Safety App which can help you keep up-to-date with new developments in keeping your child/ren safe.



Cheshire East provide further support on Mental health and wellbeing on their website: [Mental health and wellbeing](#)

The website provides links, training and support on important issues such as self care, mental health professional services and signposts information points for help with wellbeing.

Need support or have concerns?

If you ever have a concern about a child's safety or wellbeing, please don't hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads in school - Mrs Sleath, Miss Booth, Miss Barber and Mrs Gosling. All concerns are taken seriously and handled with care and confidentiality.

Together, we can create a safe, nurturing environment where every child can thrive.



Livewell Cheshire East is a service that allows parents /carers to search and find help & support in their community. They provide support and guidance for:

Health, Community events, Support for adults, Employment and financial support, Care for children, Care for carers, SEN and disabilities advice and helping you feel safe in your home and community.

Click here: [Live Well Cheshire East](#)