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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Operation Encompass**

I hope this letter finds you well. As part of our commitment at Willow Grove to keeping our children safe and fostering a nurturing environment at school, I wanted to take a moment to explain a vital initiative known as Operation Encompass, which we are proud to be involved with.

Operation Encompass is a unique partnership between schools and local police forces, designed to provide key information to schools about any incidents of domestic violence involving our pupils. When the police attend an incident, they will inform us so that we can offer support to the children affected. This aims to ensure that, whenever possible, we can respond to their needs sensitively and appropriately, helping them to feel safe and secure within our school environment. This initiative aligns with our school values: Be Safe, Be Kind, and Be Positive.

Under the 'Be Safe' value, we prioritise creating a secure environment where every child feels protected and supported.

Being kind means that we encourage empathy and understanding, recognising that some of our pupils may face difficult situations at home.

Lastly, by being positive, we cultivate an atmosphere focused on growth, resilience, and the belief that children can overcome challenges with the right support.

We encourage all parents to discuss these values with your children and talk about the importance of safety and kindness in both school and home settings. If you ever have any concerns or would like to understand more about how Operation Encompass works, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. You can also find out more information about Operation Encompass on our school website.

Thank you for your continued partnership in making our school a safe and welcoming place.

Warm regards,

*Miss L. Glover*

Headteacher

