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Dear Parent/Carer

Safeguarding protocols at Guernsey College of Further Education are continually revised and adapted to ensure that we keep all our students safe.

Operation Encompass is a scheme that runs across the UK in order to provide immediate support for children and young people who are involved in or witness domestic abuse incidents.

With effect from the start of the next academic year (September 2021), schools and colleges in The Bailiwick will be participating in this scheme, which is run jointly with Bailiwick Law Enforcement.

Operation Encompass enables information to be shared with Guernsey College prior to the start of the next College day, when a child or young person has experienced any domestic abuse. This allows the College to provide appropriate support, dependent on the needs and wishes of the child.

Jeff Stuart (Director of Student Support) is the Designated Safeguarding Lead at Guernsey College and has been trained to enable him to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the College is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have experienced a domestic abuse incident. We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our young people and we believe adopting this important initiative will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Should you wish to find out more about the scheme, details can be found at www.operationencompass.org

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jeff on jeffs@gcfe.net or 07839777643.

Best wishes.



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