



BADSWORTH
CofE School

Creating an environment in which we 'CARE'
Consider and respect everyone as Jesus taught us.

20th July, 2018



Dear Parents

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a new project that will run jointly between schools, Wakefield Council and West Yorkshire Police. The project aims to support children who are living in households where there are incidents of domestic violence and abuse. Witnessing or even hearing domestic abuse is distressing for a child or young person.

The domestic violence and abuse school notification project has been designed to provide confidential notification to schools on any incidents of domestic violence and abuse which occur within a child's household that might have an impact on a child whilst they are in school. School would be notified if the domestic violence and abuse has been reported.

The project will ensure that a member of the school staff is trained to allow them to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, and ensure that the school is able to make provision and allowances for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in, or witnessed, a domestic violence or abuse incident.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to our pupils and we believe this project will be useful and supportive for all those involved in such incidents. This project demonstrates our school's commitments to the safety, welfare of pupils and families. In the meantime, if you would like to speak to someone further about the project or require further information please contact our key adults in school who are *Mrs E. Jones, Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead* or *Miss. J. Griffiths, Deputy Headteacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead*.

Yours Sincerely

Headteacher



The Designated Senior Lead (DSL) for Safeguarding & Child Protection is the Headteacher, Liz Jones, supported by the Deputy Head Jenny Griffiths.

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