



# St Mary Federation

Brancaster, Docking, Sedgeford

## OPERATION ENCOMPASS

### NORFOLK JOINT AGENCY PROTOCOL FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE - NOTIFICATION TO SCHOOLS

The St Mary Federation is taking part in a jointly run operation between Norfolk County Council, Norfolk Police and our schools. It is called Operation Encompass. Encompass has been set-up to help schools to provide support to children who have been present at incidents of domestic violence. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they are involved in, present or witness to domestic violence.

The school will receive a confidential phone call from the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub before 9am on the morning after any domestic incident where a child at their school has been involved, present or witness to domestic violence.

The school have designated the following as key adults:

Mrs Bocking, Mrs Golding, Mrs Tidd and Miss Ayers at Brancaster

Mrs Bocking, Mrs Smith and Miss Chell at Docking

Mrs Bocking, Mr Johnson, Miss Ayers and Mrs Golding at Sedgeford.

They have received training from Norfolk County Council to allow them to use the information that has been shared, in confidence to make sure that the right support is available for children and their families, who have been involved in or witnessed a domestic violence incident.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

If you have any concerns or questions then please contact me or one of the above Key Adults and we will be happy to discuss this further. Further information about the project can be shared on request

Yours sincerely,

*Sarah A F Bocking*