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Dear Parent / Carer

Safeguarding

I am writing to inform you that Midhurst Rother College is part of an operation run jointly with Sussex Police.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting to schools/colleges of any domestic abuse incidents that occur in which a child was present, ordinarily resides at the incident location or with an involved party. We know that children can be significantly affected through witnessing or being exposed to domestic abuse, and this operation will allow us to better support our students and their families.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. At Midhurst Rother College our Key Adults are myself, Mr Paul Thompson, Director of Welfare, Mrs Jayne Beesley, Safeguarding Coordinator, and your child's Head of Year. We will be able to use information that has been shared with us, in confidence, to ensure that the right support is available should it be required by a student and/or their family.

We are keen to offer the best support available to our students 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 and I will be happy to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely,

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