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Dear Parent and Carer,

I am writing to update you on our safeguarding procedure relating to domestic incidents.

As part of the joined up approach to safeguarding across Dorset, we receive information from the police to alert our designated safeguarding lead when there has been an incident of domestic abuse in a household where a St Edward's student lives. We are not informed of the detail of the incident, only that it has occurred. This allows us to monitor and to support the student(s) concerned.

If we have additional concerns, we will discuss the need for further safeguarding actions with Social Care. This information would only be shared with other staff on a restricted need-to-know basis, i.e. those who are immediately responsible for the student's welfare such as the form tutor or year leader.

Where a multi-agency risk assessment conference (MARAC) occurs, the school may be asked for information; and appropriate school-related information may be shared with the school after the meeting.

More information on Safeguarding can be found on our website (under Safeguarding) or alternatively the National Domestic Violence helpline 0808 2000247, Poole Domestic Abuse Outreach 01202 710777.

If you wish to discuss this further, please contact me on 01202 740950.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Barnett  
Deputy Headteacher