

Safeguarding Family Blog

Domestic Violence



'The children are at the centre of everything we do'

A safe culture within our school

At Glastonbury Thorn School, we strive to keep our children and families safe and happy. In this blog, we cover some of the issues surrounding domestic violence.

The definition of domestic violence and abuse is: Any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are, or have been, intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. The abuse can encompass, but is not limited to:

- psychological
- physical
- sexual
- financial
- emotional

All children can witness and be adversely affected by domestic abuse in the context of their home life where domestic abuse occurs between family members. Exposure to domestic abuse and/or violence can have serious, long lasting emotional and psychological impact on children. In some cases, a child may blame themselves for the abuse or may have had to leave the family home as a result.

When an incident of domestic abuse is reported to the police, Glastonbury Thorn School receives a notification from Operation Encompass. This ensures that school has up-to-date relevant information about a child's circumstances and can enable support to be given to the child according to their needs.

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Do you feel safe at home?



If you are experiencing domestic abuse, or the situation feels unsafe in your own home, help is available.

National Domestic Abuse Helpline:
0808 2000 247 (24 hr freephone)

Men's Advice Line:
0808 8010 327

LGBT National Domestic Abuse Helpline:
0800 999 5428

Don't be afraid to call.
There's never any excuse for abuse.
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press 55 if you are not able to speak.



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