



Supporting Families...

...Educating Professionals

Every year, one baby in a hundred dies before, at, or soon after birth – that is 17 babies a day.

Every day, 11 children in the UK under the age of 15 die as a result of illness or accident.

Every year, over 20,000 children and young people under 18 experience the death of a parent.

The Child Bereavement Charity (CBC) offers support to families and professionals when a child dies, or when a child is bereaved of someone important in their lives.

Our Support and Information service is available to anyone affected by bereavement. We offer a confidential listening service for families and professionals who would like to talk about their experiences, and provide a signposting service to other organisations, both locally and nationally, who may be able to offer further support specific to each person's individual needs.

We also produce resources and information for children and families, and the professionals who come into contact with them in the course of their work.

Schools' Support

Professionals in schools have a unique role in helping grieving young people. Each term teachers will encounter children who are experiencing loss and grief and, as involved adults, they need to be aware of children's needs and be prepared to manage these sad events. Supporting young people and their families can be demanding and stressful; CBC offers support, information and training for schools, including a 'Teachers' Forum' on our website, where you can share concerns and experiences and discuss best practice. Our Schools' Information Pack includes a selection of fact sheets including:

- * Supporting Forces' families
- * Supporting a bereaved pupil
- * Supporting children with special educational needs
- * How to put together a school policy

Educating Professionals

The Charity's primary area of work is to train and support professionals and volunteers whose work brings them into contact with bereaved families. We operate a credible and established training, consultancy and staff support service. We provide:

- * Workshops and courses devised to meet current needs, either at our dedicated centre in Buckinghamshire, or at countrywide venues
- * Tailor-made workshops, devised by our experienced facilitators to meet an organisation's specific needs
- * Comprehensive course materials
- * Certificates of attendance for continuing professional development

For further details please visit our website or contact our training department on 01494 568908 or email training@childbereavement.org.uk

Bereavement Support and Information

*When a child dies...
When a child grieves...*

Child Bereavement Charity
The Saunderton Estate
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Saunderton
Bucks
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HOW TO CONTACT US

Call our Support and Information line



01494 568900
9:00am–5:00pm
Monday to Friday

We are also open occasional evenings, please see details on our website

We offer a confidential listening and guidance service to anyone who has been affected by the death of a child, or who is caring for a bereaved child.

Visit our website

www.childbereavement.org.uk

Our website includes articles and information sheets that are free to download, a searchable database of helpful organisations, discussion forums, plus details of our resources and training.

Email us

enquiries@childbereavement.org.uk

Write to us

Child Bereavement Charity
The Saunderton Estate, Wycombe Road, Saunderton
Buckinghamshire HP14 4BF

Our Support and Information team can provide details of:

- * Books and DVDs
- * Information sheets
- * Bereavement related websites
- * Local and national organisations that can help

INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Below are just a few of the many Information Sheets available to download free of charge from our website, and in paper form:

For Parents and Carers

- * Understanding bereavement
- * How men and women grieve
- * How to support a grieving child
- * Explaining funerals, burials and cremations to children
- * When a parent is terminally ill: supporting children

For Children and Young People

- * Understanding your feelings
- * Finding out someone has died or is dying
- * Going back to school or college
- * Seeing the body or not

Signposting

Our online database allows you to search for local and national organisations that offer support. Our website also contains listings for books and resources about bereavement and related issues.

Families' Forum

Our website includes a Families' Forum - a place to share experiences and feelings, and to make contact with other bereaved parents and families. It is free to join.

What families have said about the forum:

"It has really helped me, talking to other parents"
"This site has been my saving grace; I would have been lost without it and all the lovely mums and dads who come on here."

"We are all here to help and support each other"

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INFORMATION FOR PROFESSIONALS

Please visit our website to see our full range of Best Practice Guidelines and Information Sheets which can be downloaded free of charge.

Issues covered include:

- * Care of a family when a baby or child dies in neonatal, paediatric or accident and emergency units
- * Care of siblings following the death of a brother or sister
- * Taking photographs following the death of a baby
- * Cultural and religious issues at the time of a baby or child's death
- * What happens in a post mortem examination
- * Families who wish to take their baby home after death

Professionals' Forum

Our Professionals' Forum provides an opportunity for all those who come into contact with bereaved families as part of their work, to share experiences and best practice and to offer each other support.

RESOURCES

For Professionals and Families

CBC resources have been developed with the help of bereaved children, young people and families, and can be used by families and professionals.

All our resources are available via our website, or please contact us if you would like to receive a copy of our Publications Leaflet.

Order by phone or online:

01494 568917

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