



## SIMON SAYS CHAMPION SCHOOLS




*Simon Says Champion Schools is a new initiative that will create a network of schools across Hampshire, who model exemplary practices in bereavement information and support for the families and children in their care.*

### Did you know?

- Up to 70% of schools have a bereaved pupil on roll at any one time.
- Every 20 minutes a parent of a child under 18 dies in the UK.
- 1 in 29 children in the UK are bereaved of a parent or sibling.
- Many staff members feel anxious and unsure about how to support a bereaved pupil in school or early years setting or how to address bereavement and loss in the curriculum.
- Simon Says – Child Bereavement Support is working with the National Hub and Advisory Organisation:- **The Childhood Bereavement Network (CBN)** to create a bespoke programme for Hampshire Schools.

### This initiative involves:-

- ✓ Growing in Grief Awareness Audit Tool
- ✓ Guidance on writing a Bereavement Policy & Guidelines
- ✓ Building your own Bereavement Toolkit to support bereaved pupils
- ✓ Developing confidence with Staff training in Child Bereavement
- ✓ Becoming part of the Simon Says School Network
- ✓ Demonstrating to Parents, Inspectors and other key stakeholders how bereavement is being supported



*"We are delighted that Simon Says is encouraging schools to carry out our Growing in Grief Awareness Audit as part of their programme of support to build a network of schools championing care for bereaved children across Hampshire".*

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