Loss, Separation & Bereavement

How do we know it works?
We know that these are issues faced by all children and they tell us what they need:
- Adequate and appropriate information
- Kindness and comfort from adults at school
- The opportunity to talk
- Modelled grief behaviours
- Validation of feelings
- Fears and anxieties addressed
- Careful watching and listening

A skilled adult in your school will help enormously

What is the course about?
- Awareness of the wide range of losses experienced by children and young people
- Strategies and resources for the adults to help children cope, including the use of DVD material and websites
- Understanding of how age affects the way children deal with loss
- Awareness of the Northamptonshire Child and Adolescent bereavement Service

What do children say?
- It took me a year and a half to get over it. ‘Cos I missed my Dad.
- Some children bullied me saying, ‘Your Mum’s dead.’
- It was the worst part of my life – every day could be our last. (Domestic Violence)

Who is this course Suitable for?
- Sensitive adults working with children

What do delegates say?
- A good opportunity to reflect on my own practice – great websites highlighted.
- Thanks for lending me the DVD. This course and the DVD enabled me to provide some training for all our staff. Some
- Great training – found it very useful. I’m off to order resources.
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Where can I access training?
To access centralised training for this course, including at the TaMHS Conference if appropriate, please visit: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/TaMHS
Training at your school, or within clusters, for your staff can be commissioned from the Educational Psychology Service by contacting the TaMHS Administrator: tamhs@northamptonshire.gov.uk or by speaking to your Link Educational Psychologist