



ST VINCENT'S SCHOOL

A Specialist School for Sensory Impairment and Other Needs

Friday, July 5, 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As we approach the end of what has been a difficult week, we would like to inform you of some of the support that is being put in place for your child over the next week.

Our main aim in school this week has been to provide support to children and staff by ensuring that the usual routines are in place and by maintaining a calm atmosphere. We have given children time to talk, ask questions and process what has happened. The expression of feelings resulting from bereavement is an essential part of the grieving process and support is in place to assist the pupils with this.

During this difficult time, we are being supported by the Liverpool Bereavement Service (LBS). Members of the Senior Leadership Team met with Pauline Gardiner from LBS yesterday to gain advice regarding how to help our staff and pupils with questions they are asking. The Liverpool Bereavement Service have offered to come in to school next week on **Thursday 11th July** to meet with class groups and individuals, if they request this. The group sessions will focus on questions our pupils are asking of staff relating to emotions, managing emotions and understanding the situation from their perspective. The sessions are not religious and will not have any religious focus.

We have identified your son/daughters class group as one who would benefit from an open discussion with a member of the Liverpool Bereavement Team, however this is your choice as a parent/ guardian. If you **DO NOT** want your child to take part in one of these sessions, please complete the reply slip below and return it at your earliest possible convenience.

Kind Regards,

Senior Leadership Team.

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I do not wish for my child: _____ to take part in the sessions.

Name:

Signed:

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