

# Atlas: Communicating with Children who are Facing Bereavement

9<sup>th</sup> April 2019

This study day is for those who want to understand more about how to communicate with children who are bereaved or who are anticipating a bereavement. Communicating with children is at the core of caring for them at these difficult times; feeling heard and understood is at the core of a child's needs in navigating the challenging journey of bereavement.

Play, behaviour and relationship are the earliest and first ways in which we communicate with those around us. Children facing loss and grief have many tasks on their hands, and often turn to these earliest means of communication in their endeavours to make sense of their new world.

During this study day, you will have a chance to learn and practice communication skills beyond the adult world of "words and body language", so that you can communicate at the child's level of relationship, behaviour and play. Your new perspective will enable you to recognise when children do and don't feel heard.

Ideally you will have completed our "Introduction to Childhood Bereavement for Professionals" study day, as this provides a foundation in how loss impacts on childhood development, which is a key factor in how children communicate.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Any member of primary or secondary school staff, those who work in the community or in health and social care.

**COST:** £40.00 (Free to school staff)  
To include lunch and refreshments, and certificate of attendance.

**TIME:** 9:30 - 15:30

**VENUE:** Compton Learning and Development Centre,  
The Cedars, 39 Compton Road West,  
Wolverhampton, WV3 9DW.

## TO BOOK A PLACE

Please go to the Compton Care website and follow the link for Learning and Development - Workshops, Courses and Study Days

[www.comptoncare.org.uk](http://www.comptoncare.org.uk)