



Information for parents and guardians

At Gryffe High School we are aware of the impact that bereavement, loss and change can have on a pupil. We also know that pupils spend a lot of time at school and we have a commitment to making sure that they are supported both emotionally and academically during challenging times of their lives.

We aim to work together with families to provide the best support we can. By working in partnership with St. Vincent's Hospice's Children and Young Persons Service, staff will be offered training along with support and information for pupils, parents, families and staff.

This leaflet provides information on what support the child or a young person in your care may require after the loss of a loved one.

- Contact Guidance staff to keep them up to date with any changes either by phone or email. You can also arrange meetings with the guidance teacher if your child needs extra support.
- Make Guidance staff aware of any significant dates in your family calendar, so your child can be supported at school.
- Make the school aware if your child will be off or in late.
- Provide updated emergency contact information.
- Let Guidance know how your child is getting on emotionally and how they are coping with academic demands. Remember, we are here to help.
- Be aware of internal and external services that are available to you. These are listed below and you should contact the Guidance Teacher for more information.
 - **Seasons for Growth:** Home Link
 - **St. Vincent's Hospice:** 01505 705 635
 - **Crisis:** 0141 812 8474