



## **Recommended Reads for Young Children**

### **Picture Books**

'Death' by Janine Amos

ISBN 0745152724 Cherrytree Press

A picture book for children about exploring and expressing their feelings when a loved one dies.

'Hugs on the Wind' by Marsha Diane Arnold

ISBN 0810959682 Harry N Abrams Inc

Little Cottontail misses his grandfather so thinks of ways that the wind, stars and stream can help send hugs, kisses and messages to him.

'Grandpa' by John Burningham

ISBN 0140508414 Puffin Books

A story book for children helping them cope with the loss of a Grandparent.

'Up in Heaven' by Emma Chichester Clarke

ISBN 1842700464 Anderson Press

Daisy Dog is old and tired. A comforting book for younger children mourning a pet.

'The Grandad Tree' by Trish Cooke

ISBN 0744525764 Walker Books

Leigh and Vin used to play with Grandad under the apple tree. Like the tree, their love for him grows on forever.

'Always and Forever' by Alan Durant

ISBN 0552548774 Corgi Children's

When Fox dies, his animal 'family' are distraught and wonder how they will ever cope without him. They begin in time to understand that Fox remains with them in their many memories.

'Goodbye Mousie' by Robie H. Harris

ISBN 0689836112 Simon & Schuster

After discovering that his pet mouse has died, a young boy experiences anger and sadness. Features the burial of a pet.

'Lucy's Baby Brother' by Althea Hayton

ISBN 1872067050 The Eddington Press

Lucy's baby brother Tom dies aged just one day old. Simply worded with line drawings.

## Picture Books continued

'Feather Pillows' by Rose Impey

ISBN 0006645313 Collins Picture Lions

When the grown-ups talk about Sarah's grandma, they start to cry. But Sarah's memories are all happy ones.

'Goodbye Mog' by Judith Kerr

ISBN 0007149697 Picture Lions

Mog was tired. Mog thought, "I want to sleep forever". And so she did. After Mog the cat dies, the Thomas family wonder how they will ever cope without her. A story about the death of a well-loved family pet.

'The Sunshine Cat' by Miriam Moss

ISBN 1841215678 Orchard Books

Sunny the cat is loved by all his human family, but one day there is a knock at the door – Sunny has been killed in an accident. Explores in a sensitive way what death is and what happens when you die.

'Sad Book' by Michael Rosen

ISBN 0744598982 Walker Books

We all have sad days, especially when we think about people we love who have died. In this book, Michael Rosen thinks about the sadness of grief, how it affects him and how he tries to cope with it.

'My Many Coloured Days' by Dr. Seuss

ISBN 0099266598 Random House

Some days are yellow, some days are blue. On different days, I am different too. Explores our many different emotions.

'Fred' by Posy Simmonds

ISBN 0140509658 Puffin Books

Fred the family pet dies. A heart-warming story. Features a funeral.

'Badger's Parting Gifts' by Susan Varley

ISBN 0006643175 Picture Lions

The tale of a dependable, reliable and helpful badger who realises that his old age will soon lead to death.

'Frog and the birdsong' Max Velthuijs

ISBN 0862649080 Anderson Press

One day, Frog discovers a bird lying motionless in the grass. Very gently, the animals begin to understand the meaning of death and the beauty of life.

'If You Listen' by Charlotte Zolotow

ISBN 0762413352 Running Press

A mother reassures her little girl that there is a way to know if someone far away loves you.