

Books for Families

Bereaved Through Suicide



Up on Cloud Nine

By Anne Fine, 2003

Corgi Childrens, ISBN: 0552548405

Stol falls out of a top floor window and ends up unconscious in hospital with lots of broken bones and no-one knows whether it was attempted suicide or an accident. This book is written from the perspective of his best friend Ian whilst he is sitting by his bedside. He recalls all the fun times they have had together as well as acknowledging the slightly different way Stol sees the world. Ian captures the emotions of his own adoptive parents as well as Stol's family and the hospital staff in an amusing yet moving way illustrating how Stol has had an inspirational effect on everyon.

Beyond the Rough Rock - Supporting a child who has been bereaved through suicide

By Diana Crossley & Julie Stokes, 2001

Winston's Wish, ISBN: 0953912337

An information booklet offering practical advice for families where someone has died by suicide. It aims to give parents and professionals the confidence to involve children in discussions about the nature of death by suicide. It also includes activities for children to do with the family to stat making sense of what has happened.