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Dear Parent,

As you may know we run a very successful Rainbows programme in school. This programme provides a safe setting in school in which children can talk through their feelings in confidence with their peers who are experiencing similar situations. They are helped to articulate their feelings by trained facilitators in a trusting environment.

When something happens in a family, the entire family is affected. Even though death, divorce or other loss issues appear to be only grown-up problems, they have a profound effect on the children who are touched by such experiences. If a parent dies or divorce happens or a painful loss occurs, not only do the parents grieve, the children do also. Children may find it extremely difficult to verbalise their feelings of grief because of their age and inexperience.

We have some very sensitive, caring and trained adults who have said 'yes' to helping these children put their feelings into words, work through grief, build a stronger sense of self-esteem and begin to accept what has taken place in the family.

If your child is part of a single parent family, a step-family, has experienced the death of a loved family member or sibling, or is struggling through a painful experience, this will be an opportunity for him/her to share with a special someone on the outside what is happening on the inside.

Our Rainbows group will be running again this term, starting on Wednesday, 2nd May from 3.15 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. If you feel that your child would benefit from belonging to the group and would like to know more about it, please contact the school office to arrange to speak to or meet with Mrs. Copple either via phone or email office@st-vincents.rochdale.sch.uk

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Callaghan
Head Teacher

Mrs. M. Copple
RAINBOWS Coordinator



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