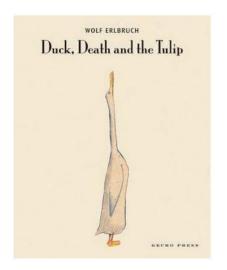


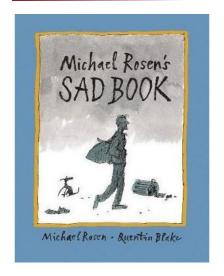
### RECOMMENDED READING ON DEATH AND GRIEF



# Death, Duck and the Tulip Wolf Erlbruch

In a strangely heart-warming story, a duck strikes up an unlikely friendship with Death. Death, Duck and the Tulip will intrigue, haunt and enchant readers of all ages. Simple, warm and witty, this book deals with a difficult subject in a way that is elegant, straightforward and life-affirming.

Available at Auckland Libraries \$29.50 RRP

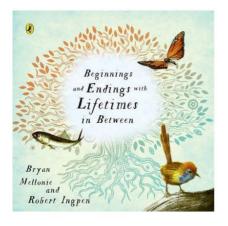


#### Sad Book

#### Michael Rosen

This beautifully-illustrated book chronicles Michael Rosen's grief after the death of his son Eddie from meningitis at the age of 19. A moving combination of sincerity and simplicity, it acknowledges that sadness is not always avoidable nor reasonable and perfects the art of making complicated feelings plain.

Available at Auckland Libraries \$28.00 RRP



#### Beginnings and Endings with Lifetimes in Between Bryan Mellonie and Robert Ingpen

There is a beginning and an ending to everything that is alive. In between is a lifetime. It is the same for people as it is for plants and animals, even for the tiniest insects. This book helps children and parents to remember, to understand and to explain that dying is as much a part of living as being born. A moving and beautiful book.

Also translated into a Tongan version

Available at Auckland Libraries
\$25.00 RRP



### **RECOMMENDED READING ON DEATH AND GRIEF**



# Old Hu-Hu *Kyle Mewburn*

Old Hu-Hu is a thoughtful tale of young Hu-Hu-Tu's search for understanding of what happened to his beloved Old Hu-Hu, who flew all the way to the moon (or so they said), then fell down dead. Sensitively written, this is a beautiful story of a death and the celebration of life, with powerful, evocative illustrations. It helps to explain death and will reassure young children that the spirit of someone can still live on.

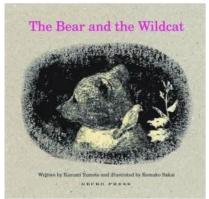
Available in a Maori translation. Available at Auckland Libraries \$19.99 RRP



# Badger's Parting Gifts Susan Varley

Badger's friends learn to come to terms with his death by remembering all the special things that Badger taught them.

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#### The Bear and the Wildcat

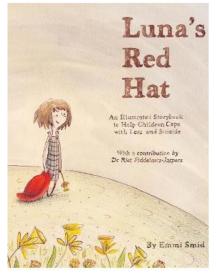
#### Kazumi Yumoto

This extraordinary picture book tells the story of a bear whose best friend, a small bird, has died. The reader follows Bear as he mourns his companion and begins to find renewed meaning in his life. Intricately-layered pencil illustrations accompany the tale to create a story that is moving and also filled with hope. This is a poignant book that can support discussion of bereavement with older children.

Available at Auckland Libraries \$39.90 RRP



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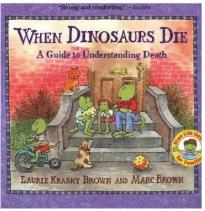
## Luna's Red Hat Emmi Smid

This beautifully-illustrated story book is designed as a tool to be read with children aged 6+ who have experienced the loss of a loved one by suicide. Suicide always causes shock, not just for the family members but for everyone around them, and children must also deal with these feelings. This book will be valuable to anyone working with, or caring for, children bereaved by suicide. Available at Auckland Libraries \$46.00 RRP



## The Invisible String Patrice Karst

This is a story where twins realize there is an invisible string connecting all people who love one another. You can feel it in your heart and always be connected, even from afar. Beautiful and delicate. Perfect for: dealing with loss, moving, friendship issues, family problems and night-time fears. A special book. \$19.99 RRP



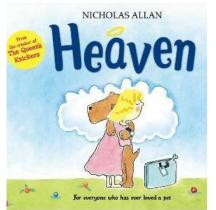
#### When Dinosaurs Die: A Guide to Understanding Death Laurie Kransy Brown and Marc Brown

An excellent resource for children trying to grasp the concept of death and understand grieving. Recommended for children who have faced or are facing loss, but also for any child even before an urgent need presents itself. Presented in a respectful and unthreatening manner, this book will prove immensely valuable for children and their families.

\$24.00 RRP



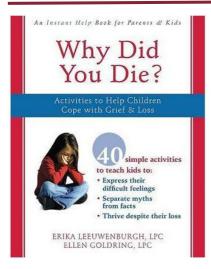
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#### Heaven

#### Nicholas Allan

Dill the dog knows his time is up so tells Lily, his owner, that he's off "up there". While he is waiting for the angels to collect him, Dill tells Lily what he thinks heaven is like: hundreds of lampposts to pee against, lots of whiffy things to smell and bones everywhere! But Lily disagrees, she thinks heaven is quite different. Luckily, they agree to disagree just in time for a fond, very poignant, last goodbye. Nicholas Allan is unique among picture book creators for his off-beat humour and child appeal. \$25.00 RRP



#### Why Did You Die? 40 Simple Activities To Help Children With Grief Erica Leeuwenburgh and Ellen Goldring

When a loved one dies, children are faced with a kaleidoscope of feelings, thoughts, myths and questions. This can lead to anxiety and other psychological problems. The first section of this book is for parents and describes children's grief process. Using an art therapy approach, the activities described then move children through the issues they must eventually confront. In a direct, yet non-threatening manner, this workbook will help children learn, grow and continue to thrive. \$45.00 RRP



## Something Very Sad Happened Bonnie Zucker

When a loved one dies, it can be hard to explain it to a young child, particularly if you are grieving the loss yourself. Sensitively written and gently illustrated, this book explains death in developmentally appropriate terms for two and three year old children. It reassures the child that it is okay to feel sad, and that love never dies. Includes a note to parents/caregivers about how to talk about death, answer questions, and maintain your connection throughout the grieving process.

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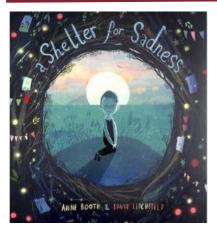
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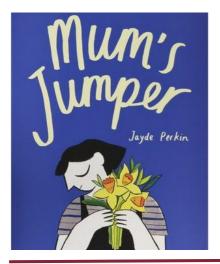
# Thea and the Dizzy Waggle Cloe Willetts

This is a heartwarming and insightful tale about love, loss, and the magic of nature for anybody navigating grief. Dizzy Waggle Brite makes friends with a tui named Thea, who can often be heard singing from her nest in a blossoming pohutukawa tree. One day, Brite notices Thea isn't singing and learns the tui is sick. When Thea tells Brite her body won't be here one day, the Dizzy Waggle has important questions about death. \$25.00 RRP



# A Shelter for Sadness Anne Booth and David Litchfield

A poignant and heart-warming picture book exploring the importance of making space and time for our own griefs, small or large, sensitively visualized with David Litchfield's stunning illustrations. \$17.00 RRP



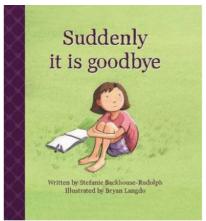
#### Mum's Jumper Jayde Perkin

If Mum has gone, how do you carry on? Missing her feels like a dark cloud that follows you around, or like swimming to a shore that never comes any nearer. But memories are like a jumper that you can cuddle and wear. And Mum's jumper might be a way to keep her close.

A simple, heartfelt and ultimately uplifting book for anyone coping with

\$32.00 RRP

loss.



# Suddenly It Is Goodbye Stefanie Backhouse-Rudolph

A story for everyone who has lost a sibling. When a sibling dies many things changes in a child's life – family structure, daily routine, friends' behaviour, parents who are upset and not coping, feelings of tremendous loss and sadness. Children will experience all sorts of feelings. This book helps children to understand and talk about their grief and to understand that their feelings are normal and part of the healing process. \$21.75 RRP