



Jen's Special Place

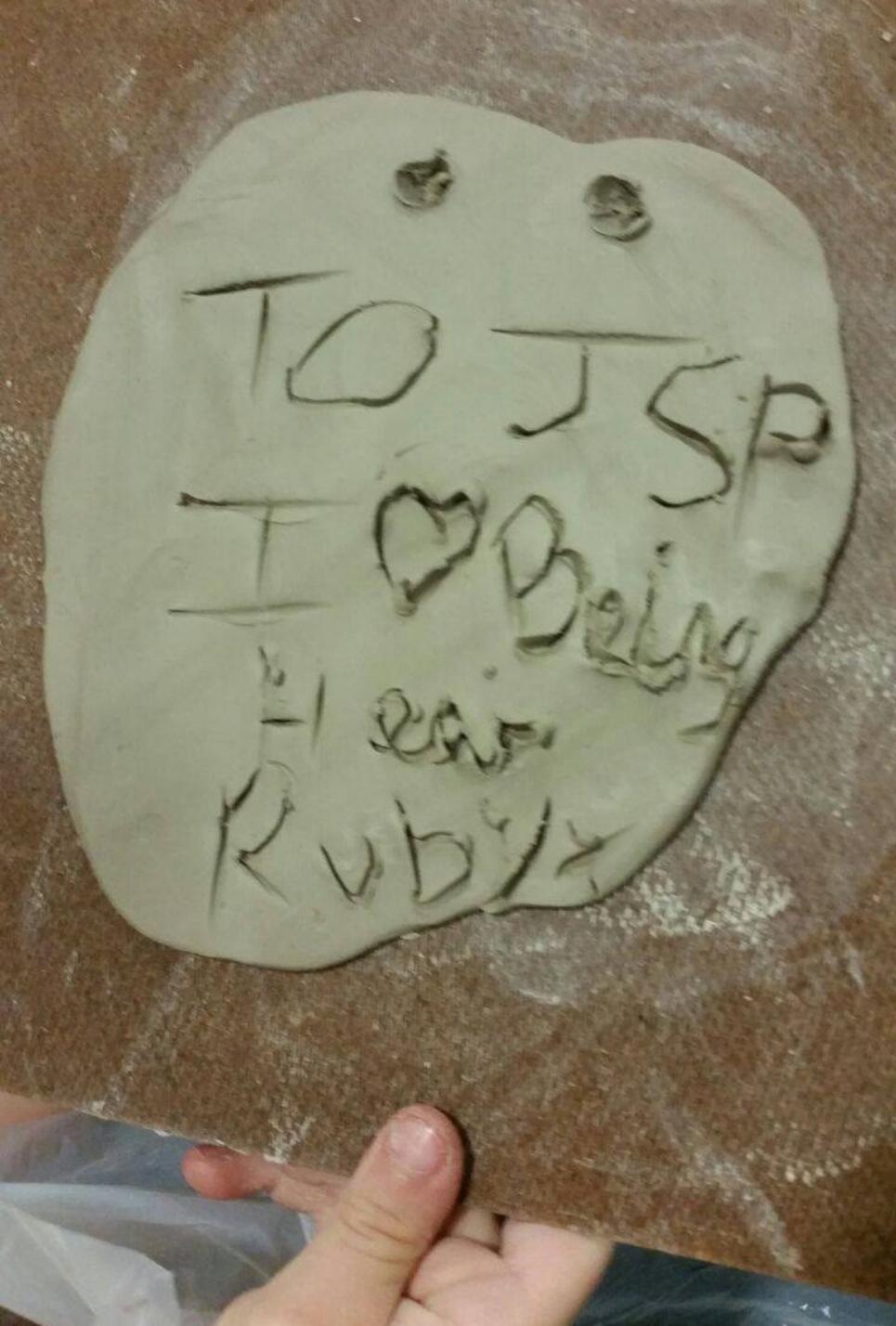
Bereavement Support Group





The support group was set up after the death of my sister Jennie Akers who died of Cervical Cancer aged 25, 6 months after giving birth to her 3rd child.

There was little support in the area for bereaved families so I decided to fill the gap- and in my sisters name was born Jen's Special Place



Who are we?

Jen's Special Place is a child bereavement support group based in Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire. The group ultimately aims to support children in expressing their grief and exploring their feelings in a safe and empathic environment; enabling them to grow through each others experiences. Parents and carers also benefit from our service as our socials are an opportunity to speak with others in similar circumstances.



We're turning 5!

- Since setting up in December 2014 we have supported over 35 families and over 70 children and young people
- We have held 55 social evenings and delivered several workshops, including forestry and pottery
- In 2017 we took all families on a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- We have been as far reaching as Hull and Grimsby





Social Evenings

- Social evenings are held twice a month at two separate locations; Bottesford and Ashby.
- They last an hour and a half involving arts and crafts, free play, chill and chat as well as circle time.
- Volunteer led- trained in bereavement support
- Child counsellor attends where possible



How do you access our service?

- All families must be referred by filling out the referral form found on our website
- We welcome self-referrals as well as referrals from professionals
- We will have a chat with the family once the referral has been received to ensure they have come to the right service
- We accept all types of bereavement and families from all areas of Lincolnshire

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“It's been the best thing me and {my daughter} has done coming to Jen special place such a worthy fantastic and lovely place to spend time with everyone who attends x”

“Jens special place has provided valuable help and support for my daughter through very difficult times and everyone there has been amazing. Huge thank you to JSP X”

“I was worried at first because I thought you would ask us loads of questions but I love it {Jen's Special Place}! I wish my dad was here having fun with me”

