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Who are CCS?

- CCS help children and families of all faiths and none across London, Hertfordshire and the South-East
- Inspired by Catholic Social Teaching
- Our sole aim is to help those in greatest need



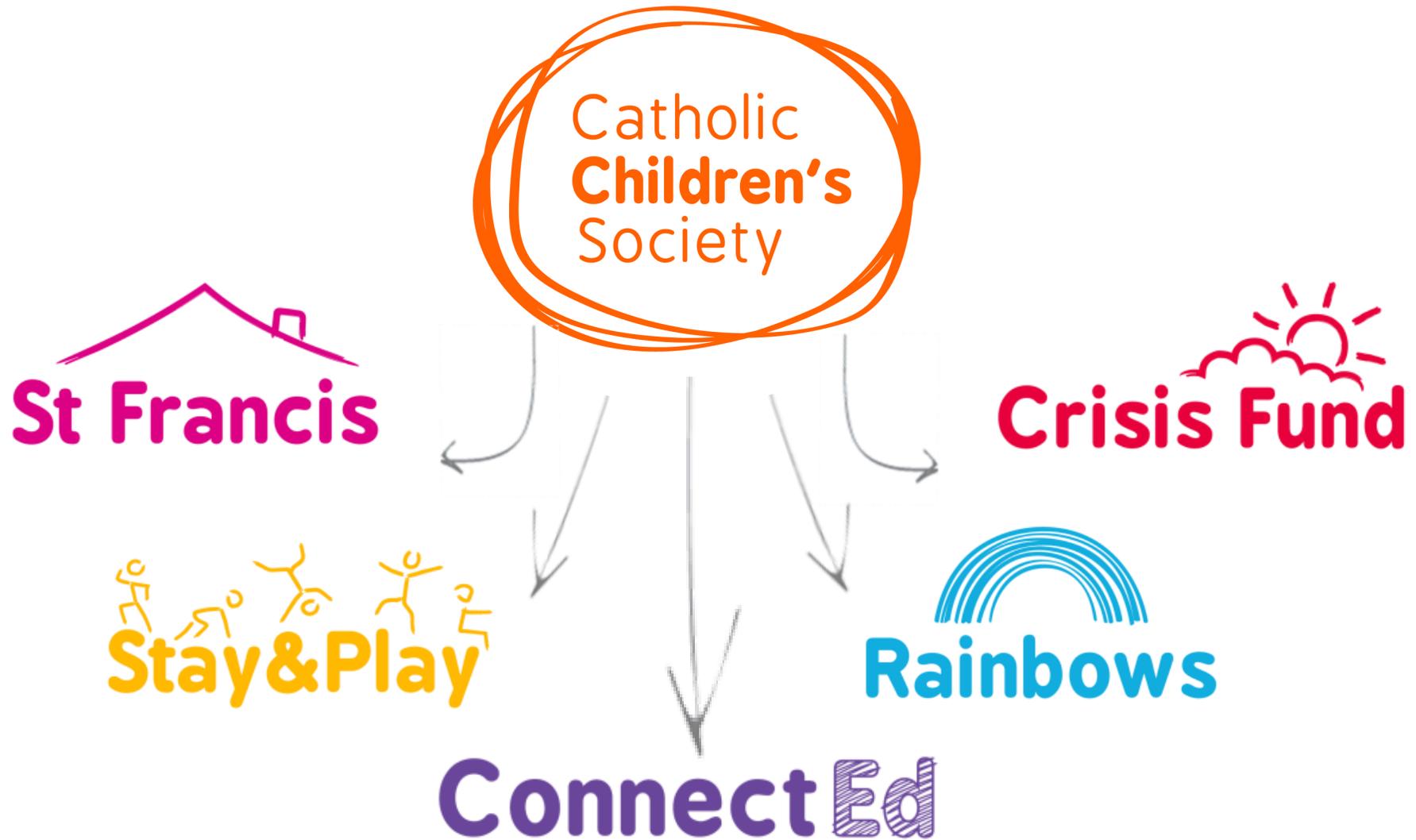
Did you know?

An average of **9** children in a class of 30 live in poverty

1 in 6 children have a diagnosable mental health illness

1 in every 29 school children have been bereaved of a parent or sibling

What do CCS do?



Our focus is to provide support as early as possible through mental health services, family centres and emergency grants for families in crisis. We help vulnerable children overcome the challenges they face so they can achieve their full potential.



Stay & Play

A place to thrive 0-5



St Francis

Family Centre

Family Centres

- St Marks Stay and Play and St Francis
- Provide Ofsted 'outstanding' early education and development
- Disadvantaged families bring their children to the family centres for free and the children can play with toys, read books and play in a safe outdoor space.
- Work closely with parents to support their child's development



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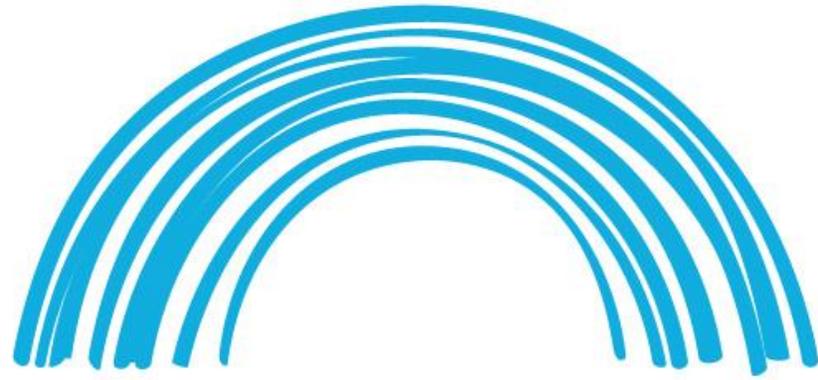
Mental Health Services for Schools

Mental Health Services



- Deliver professional therapeutic services on-site in over 80 schools across London and Hertfordshire
- We work with schools to provide early intervention for children with complex mental health needs
- We train school staff, helping enhance their skills to identify and support children and young people with mental health difficulties





Rainbows

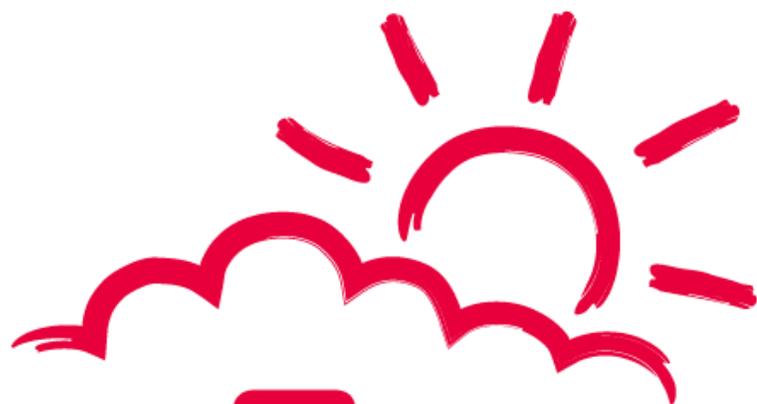
**Guiding Children and Young People
Through Life's Storms.**

Rainbows Bereavement Support Programme

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- We train school staff so that they can deliver support groups for children who have experienced significant loss in their lives
- This could be a death of a loved one, family breakdown or separation
- The programme helps children cope with their grief and feel less alone





Crisis Fund

Emergency support for families in crisis

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- We operate a Crisis Fund which provides emergency funding for families in crisis situations
- Headteachers and Parish Priests apply to our Crisis Fund on behalf of a family and we respond within 24 hours
- We provide food and fund essential items such as beds and clothes when families have nowhere else to turn





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This is Arthur and he is five years old. Earlier this year, Arthur's mum was made redundant, which mean they had to move to another flat. Although they had been rehoused in a one-bed flat, Arthur was very unsettled. He often fell asleep in school and found it very difficult to concentrate in his lessons.

With no money to buy beds, Arthur and his mum had been sleeping on a pile of clothes on the floor.

Concerned about Arthur's tiredness at school, Arthur's teacher got in touch with Arthur's mum and she explained what had happened.

The Headteacher then contacted CCS to see if we could help and we were able to provide the family with beds and bedding so Arthur and his mum could finally get a good night's sleep.

The Headteacher got in touch to say...

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This has transformed Arthur's life. He can now engage in learning and is so much happier. Your support has made a huge difference.

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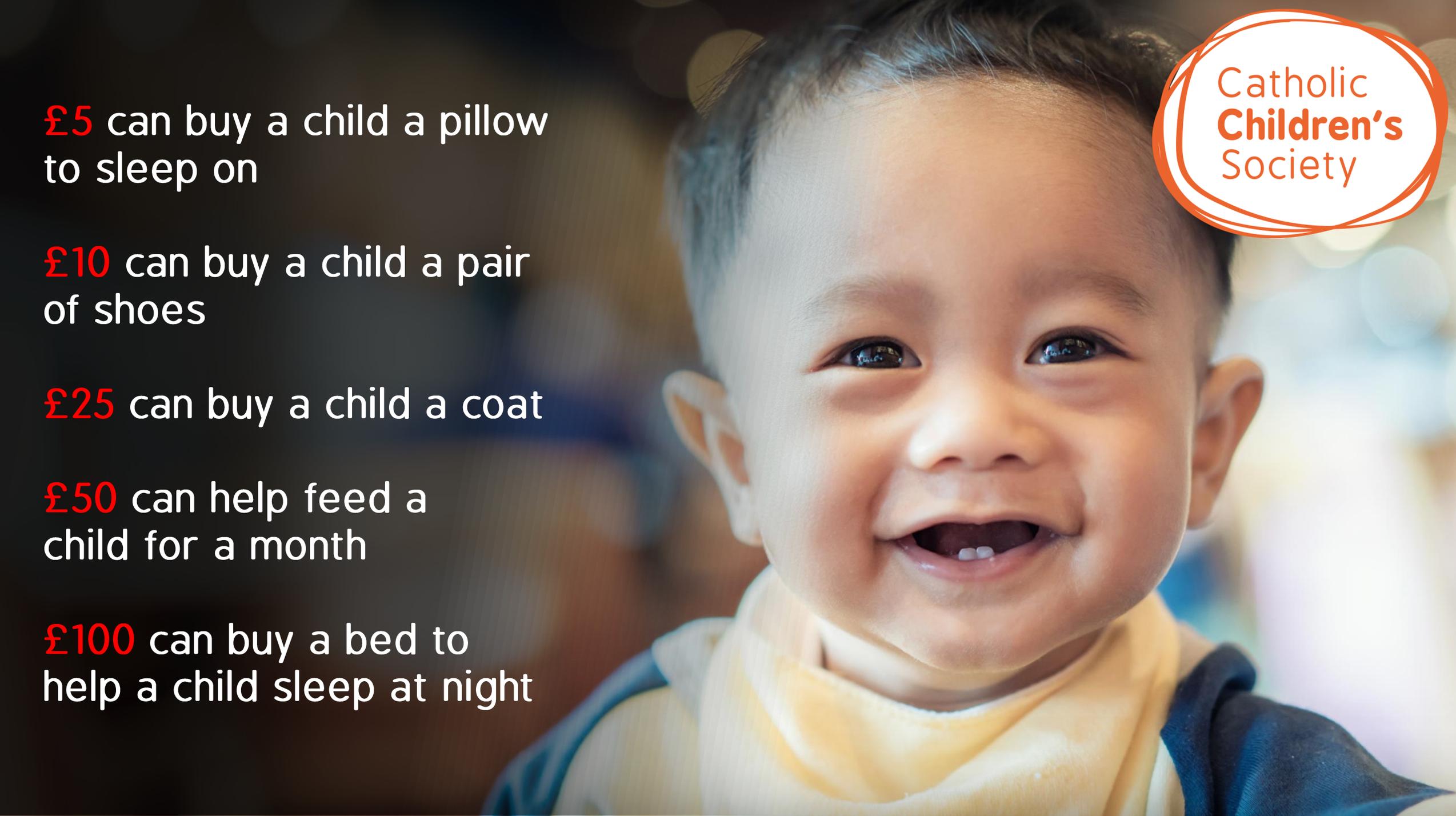
£5 can buy a child a pillow
to sleep on

£10 can buy a child a pair
of shoes

£25 can buy a child a coat

£50 can help feed a
child for a month

£100 can buy a bed to
help a child sleep at night



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Fundraising for CCS

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- There are lots of different ways you can raise money for CCS this year
- You can take part in a fundraising challenge as a school, a class, with your wider community or on your own!
- For more ideas, inspiring stories and top tips, you can check out our school fundraising pack on our website



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Thank,
you!