

Dear Teacher/Parent/Guardian,

I'm Julie Sharkey. The girl who wrote and who acts in *An Ant Called Amy*.

The play is about a little ant called Amy, her brother Andy and a Brown Spider.

The idea for the play originated after I lost my own brother tragically. His two small children were aged two and one at the time.

It got me thinking about how a small person might begin to comprehend and deal with grief.

In my little play, Amy the ant is missing her brother, Andy.

This is a gentle tale. It's entertaining and fun. It's not going to uncover an awful truth or discuss serious illness or anything traumatic.

Simply, we meet this little ant Amy, who is working to forget.... Until her supposed arch enemy the Brown Spider gently nudges her to find Andy in the everyday.

Thanks a million, and enjoy the show.

All the very best,

Julie (Amy) xx