**Discussion ideas for …**

Me, My Dad and the End of the Rainbow by Benjamin Dean

* The story starts with Archie asking you, the reader, to keep a secret. How important is it to keep a secret? Are there times when you need to share it? Why?
* How important is it to have a good friend or friends? What part do they play in people’s lives? What part did Seb and Bel play in Archie’s life?
* Discuss how Archie’s dad felt telling him he was gay. Who was this hardest for in your opinion? How did the whole family deal with this going forward?
* Racism also appears in the book (pages 117-118). Discuss why the colour of someone’s skin makes no difference to a person and how they should be treated.
* In what ways do you think Viv talking to Archie helped (pages 270-272) ?
* The trio made many mistakes in attending the Pride Parade for the first time. What did they learn from them and how did it improve family relations all round?