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Dear Parents / Carers

It is with tremendous sadness we acknowledge the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. For more than 70 years, the Queen has provided leadership, guidance and reassurance to the people of the UK, the Commonwealth and worldwide. We are all extremely grateful for her service and the inspiration that she has provided for us throughout her lifetime.

All students and staff at the school attended special assemblies this morning, which provided them with the opportunity to reflect on the legacy of the late Queen as well as provide some silent time for personal reflection. We are very much aware that the passing of the Queen will affect different students in different ways. If parents / carers would like some additional support for their child we would ask that they contact their child's Year Leader in the first instance.

We anticipate that a national holiday will be announced, with a Day of National Mourning to allow the nation to observe the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. If it falls on a weekday, it is anticipated that schools will close on this day. We will confirm arrangements once the details of this national holiday have been confirmed by the Government. Further information in relation to arrangements will also be made available via the [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) website. Please also note that we will be limiting our communication during this period of mourning, with the exception of correspondence that is related to more urgent matters.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has been a constant source of strength for the country and people around the world, and her unswerving commitment to public service during her reign is an example of the finest integrity, humility and compassion. Honouring her memory will continue to inspire us all, and we look forward to coming together as a community over the coming days to pay tribute to her immense contribution to our society and community.

Yours sincerely

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