

13th September 2022

Dear Parents and carers,

Headteacher Update

The start of a new academic year is always a busy one, buzzing with the excitement of new starts, new challenges and new opportunities. It has been wonderful to hear so many new students talking about their first days with such enthusiasm. We are delighted to welcome all our new students to the school and pleased that they are already embracing so many of the opportunities offered. We are all looking forward to what promises to be another wonderfully successful academic year.

In my letter to you on Friday, I outlined some of the activities that we were undertaking to pay respect to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II and this week we are continuing with our assemblies for each year group. Our assemblies have focused on her astonishing commitment and dedication to duty and service. It has been wonderful to see all our students listening so attentively and respectfully.

I am writing to you today to confirm that on Saturday 10th September, His Majesty, King Charles III approved an order that the day of the state funeral will be a day to mourn and pay respect in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The announcement means that on **Monday 19 September**, the day of the Queen Elizabeth's funeral schools will close. Students are expected to be back in school as normal on Tuesday 20th September.

With best wishes,



Mrs Cristina Taboada-Naya
Headteacher

