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Queen Elizabeth II – State Funeral

Dear parents/carers

Following the announcement from Buckingham Palace of our sovereign, Queen Elizabeth II, a period of National Mourning has started and will continue until the end of the State Funeral, which has been arranged for Monday 19th September 2022.

King Charles III announced over the weekend that this date will be a national bank holiday, therefore **St Mary's Primary school will be closed for the full day on Monday 19th September 2022.**

Please be aware normal school attendance is expected on all other days throughout the National Mourning period.

During Collective Worship this week and lessons in class, the pupils will have the opportunity to reflect on the life and service of Queen Elizabeth II and their memories of her.

I would also like to share a prayer with our St Mary's Primary school community and also pass on our deepest sympathies to all members of the Royal Family during this sad time.

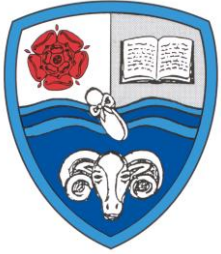
**Gracious God, we give thanks
for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth,
for her faith and her dedication to duty.
Bless our nation as we mourn her death
and may her example continue to inspire us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Your sincerely

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