



Tuesday 13th September 2022

Dear parent / carer

Arrangements for the additional Bank Holiday 19th September 2022

On behalf of Share Multi Academy Trust, I want to express our deepest sympathy to the nation and the Royal Family for the loss of Her Majesty the Queen.

This letter confirms we are following national guidance on mourning and our schools will be closed to pupils on Monday 19th September 2022. We will open again as usual on Tuesday 20th September 2022. Pupils should continue to attend school as usual.

School activities will continue as usual in the meantime but I have asked headteachers to review any events that may not be in keeping with the sombre tone we wish to observe. Most of our schools have held or will be holding assemblies and sharing information about the Queen's remarkable service over 70 years over the coming days. Some will be observing 2 minutes' silence.

Pupils and parents may wish to express their own condolences. The Royal Family have opened an online book of condolences here: <u>The Royal Family</u>. You can also find more information about the Queen and how her life will be commemorated at this website. There is also more detailed information about national arrangements and guidance on the Cabinet Office website: <u>Her Majesty</u> <u>Queen Elizabeth II - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>.

We will offer further support for children who may be finding this period particularly emotional, perhaps because they have suffered a recent bereavement in their own lives. Please contact staff at school if we can help.

Many thanks to our pupils for the mature and thoughtful way they have responded to the Queen's death and for your support with our arrangements.

Your sincerely

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