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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now received the following information from the DfE:

Following the announcement from Buckingham Palace of the death of our sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a period of National Mourning has started and will continue until the end of the State Funeral. This is a period of time for reflection in response to the death of the Sovereign.

The official date of the State Funeral is 19 September 2022. This day will be a bank holiday and settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday should close on this day as a mark of respect. This will include schools and colleges.

School will therefore be closed on Monday 19th September 2022. As it is a national bank holiday, there will be no remote learning.

We understand that some students may have questions about the death of the Queen and whilst we have discussed this with students in tutor time, can we take this opportunity to signpost you to Winston's Wish. This is a website designed to help adults support children with grief, loss and bereavement. They have a blog page dedicated to talking with your child about the death of the Queen. The link is here: [Winstons Wish Website](https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/).

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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