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Dear parent or carer,

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II last week. Her dedication to the UK, other realms and territories has been an inspiration. We thank her for her service and send our deepest sympathies to the Royal Family.

Whilst observing the national mourning period we will continue to support our pupils, families, communities and staff. We know that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was a huge advocate for the opportunities for children and young people:

"When peace comes, remember it will be for us, the children of today, to make the world of tomorrow a better and happier place." Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

It has now been confirmed that Monday 19 September 2022, the date of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral, will be a national bank holiday. This will allow parents, pupils and staff to pay their respects to Her Majesty whilst marking the final day of the national mourning period. This means that the academy will be closed on this day to both pupils and staff, with classes back to normal on Tuesday 20 September.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, I encourage you to get in touch with the academy in the usual way, via info@Parkwoodacademy.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support of the academy.

Yours faithfully,

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