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Dear Shacklewell Families,

Re: Death of Queen Elizabeth II

Yesterday evening we learnt of the very sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. The death of the Queen will have upset many people within our community. The country has now entered ten days of mourning which will officially end after the state funeral.

I am sure that you will have spent time talking about her death at home since the announcement yesterday evening. Our children will naturally have many questions at this time.

In order to support the pupils at this very sad time, our staff will be provided with specially tailored information and resources. We will hold a special assembly this morning to speak to the children and to reassure them that we are here to answer any questions that they might have.

I would also like to extend the support to our community and families. If you have any questions or have been upset by this news, please be reminded that we are always here to support or guide you. If your child is upset, you may wish to access resources at [MindEd for Families](#). We have also been advised that the Royal Palace's website www.royal.uk is a good source for further information about the mourning period.

In the meantime, school will remain open over the coming days. It is expected that, when the royal household has announced the date for the state funeral that school will be closed on this day. We will keep you informed of any updates we receive.

Kind regards,

Rory McGrath
Headteacher