



Plymouth High School for Girls

"For life, not school, we learn"

12th September 2022

Dear Parent/Carers

We express our deepest sympathies for the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Her dedication to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and to her other realms and territories is unparalleled and we thank her for her service.

Our school will observe the mourning period but continue to support our pupils, families and staff. Unless otherwise stated, please assume any scheduled activities and events we have scheduled will continue as planned. We will observe the national holiday scheduled on **Monday 19th September 2022** for Her Majesty's funeral, which means schools will be closed that day, but outside of this, school hours will continue as normal.

It is important that our school community feel supported, and we recognise that each of us will cope with the loss in our own unique way. Many of you may wish to leave a message of condolence or thanks to Her Majesty ([The Royal Family](#)). Following the link will allow you to leave your own personal message, which will be kept in the National Archives.

Our school will be keeping pupils informed of news about these events as part of assemblies and class activities. If you think your child may be experiencing particular upset due to the passing of The Queen, please do let us know so we can provide additional support if needed.

There are also a number of organisations that provide bereavement support to children such as Child Bereavement UK at www.childbereavementuk.org or ChildLine, which can be reached on 0800 1111 or at www.childline.org.uk.

Thank you for your understanding.

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