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Dear Families,

Everyone at Woodborough School, and across the Equa Trust of schools, shares the sadness of the nation following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8th September.

We are grateful for her many years of service to our country; her leadership and integrity has taught us all so much. Our thoughts at this time are with the members of the Royal Family, who have lost their matriarch, a dearly beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

During the period of national mourning, school life will continue as usual. We will continue to inform and educate the children about the significance of this moment and its impact at individual, national and global levels. We will respond sensitively to their questions and their emotional needs.

Woodborough School children always impress us with their interest in the news and their desire to understand its relevance. For all of us at the school, our lives have been lived entirely during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. We all have much to process, to learn and to adapt to as we enter a new era in our nation's history.

As part of our thankfulness for the Queen, all schools within Equa Trust will be planting a tree within their school grounds to commemorate her life. We hope this gesture will provide our children with a focal point for thought and reflection.

Our school will be closed on Monday 19th September, the day of the Queen's funeral, which has been declared a national Bank Holiday. We will not expect children to complete any homework tasks on that day and there will be no expectation of communications between home and school.

Other important updates:

The **Training Workshop for Regular Reading Volunteers**, previously arranged for 19th September, will now take place on **Monday 26th September** (3.30 – 4.30 pm in the school hall – with crèche facilities available for those who require them).

The revised date for our whole school 'Service Day' will be Monday 17th October. More details will follow in due course.

Finally, please note that **our DIY SOS weekend, planned for 17th and 18th September has been cancelled.** Unfortunately, we did not receive sufficient offers of assistance to make the event viable. Instead we are looking to find alternative means of refurbishing the Year 4, 5 and 6 classrooms.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher



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