

## **Holly Lodge High School**

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## Re: School Closure on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are deeply saddened by the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, who served our nation with dignity and dedication during her long years of public service. On Friday, students and staff at Holly Lodge High School had a shared assembly about Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's life. During this week we will be taking part in other activities to commemorate her life and will be holding a minute's silence.

We have received guidance from the Department for Education that the official date of the State Funeral for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022. This day will be a bank holiday and settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday will close on this day as a mark of respect. This will be for all schools and colleges, including Holly Lodge High School.

School will be open as normal on Tuesday 20th September 2022.

We are aware that children will respond to these recent events in different ways. Please talk to us at the school if you have any concerns. The mental health charity 'Mind' also have support on their website which may help young people - https://www.mind.org.uk/

If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Yours Faithfully,

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