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Dear parents and carers

Headteacher Update

It is with regret I write to you following the official announcement of the death of Her Majesty the Queen.

Whilst these will be remembered as significant days in our history, it is also a time of great personal sorrow for the Royal Family. Our collective thoughts are of course with them and Aberdeen City as a whole have [shared our condolences](#).

Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II on 8th September 2022, His Majesty King Charles III announced the granting of an additional bank holiday on the 10th day after the Queen's death to mark her passing. This will be on Monday 19th September 2022, the day of the Queen's funeral.

The Scottish Government has advised that schools and other settings across Scotland that would normally be closed on a bank holiday should close on that day as a mark of respect.

It was decided at the Urgent Business Committee on 13 September 2022 that Aberdeen City Council will therefore recognise Monday 19th September 2022 as an additional, one-off, public holiday. **Schools and childcare settings will therefore be closed on this date**

Her Majesty the Queen had a close association with Aberdeen and the Northeast throughout her life and I'm sure many of you will have memories attached to her frequent visits to our great city.

Yours sincerely

Mr R McLaren
Headteacher