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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we have addressed with our children the sad passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Within their classes they have been saying prayers and looking at her life and how she has lived it in service.

I received an email from the Department of Education last night to say that once details of the funeral are confirmed by the Royal Household, they will write to schools with further guidance and information. I will share this with you when we have it. They also shared details of [Minded](#) as a source of information to support children and young people to manage death and loss if they are feeling upset.

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have released the following prayer which will be distributed to all Catholic parishes across the country:

For the happy repose of HM The Queen

Almighty God,

You are the author and sustainer of all human life;
grant that your servant, Elizabeth our Queen,
whom you granted a long and happy reign as Monarch of these lands
may be forgiven her sins and rewarded with that eternal life
promised to all those born again
in the water of baptism and power of your Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit God, forever and ever,
Amen.

Eternal rest, grant to her O Lord,
And let Perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace.
Amen.

May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,

Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen

Best wishes,

Ann Naylor (Headteacher)