

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## **Dear Parents**

Further to my letter to you last week, Buckingham Palace have made further announcements over the weekend, and I want to update you on our response to these.

Along with the nation, all our academies are taking part in this period of National Mourning, which will continue until the end of the State Funeral. This is a period for reflection in response to the death of the Sovereign and in which all our staff will be supporting our children, young people, and each other, as well as keeping communications to a minimum.

The official date for the State Funeral is Monday 19 September 2022. This day will be a bank holiday and the Department for Education has directed schools and colleges to be closed. Until then, all our academies remain fully open, and pupils and students are expected to attend as usual.

Our academies and central office will be closed on Monday 19 September 2022 as a mark of respect. They will reopen on Tuesday 20 September 2022 to all pupils and students who should attend as usual.

Kind regards,

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