



Our worship table in the hall will be an area for reflection during this time of national mourning.

We were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Her Majesty The Queen last week. For over seventy years she has dedicated her life to service for our country and the Commonwealth and has been a figurehead of national unity and stability at a time of enormous change.

On Friday morning, we gathered the whole school together for collective worship, giving us time to join in reflection, prayer and stillness. We looked back on the recent happy times we shared at the Jubilee in the summer and thought about how The Queen lived a life of values, just like we try to do in school.

We will continue to support the children with their questions over the coming days and weeks as we experience this important moment in history.

As you are no doubt aware, **school will be closed on Monday 19th September** for the state funeral.

Class 1 curriculum evening tonight

Miss Ingle and the Class 1 team will be holding the Class 1 Curriculum Information evening tonight at 6pm. For the first time in a couple of years, we are delighted to be able to hold this session face to face in the hall. The session will give you lots of useful information about how children learn in Class 1 and how you can support your child at home so we do hope you can make it.

Class 1 Parents Coffee Morning

Class 1 parents are warmly welcomed to join us for a coffee after morning drop off on **Thursday 22nd September.** This is a lovely opportunity to chat informally with the class 1 team and get to know other parents and families. Younger siblings are very welcome to come along too.

Miss Walker's sewing club

If you have any off cuts of fabric, felt or other sewing supplies lying around, Miss Walker's sewing club would love to take them off your hands for their creations this term. Thank you!

EARLY BIRD CLUB: IMPORTANT

A reminder that children should not be left unaccompanied outside school before Early Bird Club in the mornings. Please ensure that a parent or other nominated adult stays and hands over to staff at 8am. Many thanks.

Y6 Parents: A date for your diary

On **Tuesday 4th October at 6pm**, Miss Walker will be holding an information evening for Y6 parents and children about the 2023 Key Stage 2 assessments (SATs). You will be able to find out all about what the tests entail, look at past papers and find out how best you can support your child with their learning over the coming months.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS: watches, jewellery & hair

A polite reminder of the following:

- Children can wear a simple analogue or digital watch for school. *Smart watches, Fitbits etc are not permitted.*
- If your child has pierced ears they may wear simple stud earrings which need to be removed for swimming or PE. If they cannot be removed, please supply your child with a roll of micropore tape in their PE bag so that they can cover them for sports. *Hooped earrings of any kind are not permitted.*
- To avoid the spread of head lice, please ensure that hair beyond shoulder length is tied back for school; plaits are particularly effective for this.

PTA Dates for your diary

- PTA quiz and curry night £15 per ticket. 7th Oct 7pm school hall Please order your tickets by 3rd Oct <u>www.PTA-events.co.uk/stipps</u>
- Reception parent/carer coffee morning, 22nd September in school hall after school drop off. All welcome
 including younger siblings A chance to have a chat, cuppa and meet teachers/parents and PTA
- Class 6 cake day 21st October at break time. We kindly ask class 6 to provide cakes to be sold to rest of school at break time. 25p per cake.