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Dear families,

Re: Queen Elizabeth II

I am sure you are aware of the sad news that our Queen passed away yesterday evening.

This morning we have held a special assembly where we have shared this news with our pupils and staff. As we are trained in child bereavement, we are aware of the importance of being open and honest and the use of the word 'died' with pupils rather than 'passed away'. This assembly is available for you to view on our Friday communications list.

We have celebrated the length of her reign as the longest serving British monarch in history, her life and that she was 96 years old. We have explained that her eldest son will now be our king, King Charles III.

We have shared with the pupils that it is a sad occasion and it is normal to have unhappy feelings when someone has died. Teachers have been given resources to support pupils and if anyone needs extra support the FLO team will be available.

My thoughts are with the Royal Family, us as a community and as a Nation, at this sad time.

Head teacher
Miss Cotchin

Our School Values are: Inclusion, Perseverance, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility and Collaboration.

