



# Edgewood Primary School

## Building skills and values for life

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September

### Queen Elizabeth II

Dear parents / carers,

It was with great sadness that we all heard the news yesterday evening that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had died.

As a school our thoughts are with her family at what is such a difficult time.

We had an assembly this morning to pay our respects and also encourage the children to think about the amazing length of service from Her Majesty and all the changes that have happened during her reign. We looked at some photos of her life from the BBC News site (The link is [Queen Elizabeth II: A life in pictures - BBC News](#) if you wish to have a look with your child when they come back from school.)

We spoke about the length of time she has reigned and how almost all of us alive today have never known anyone else to be on the throne.

We reflected together about the fact that while she was the Queen and our head of state, she was also a mother, grandmother, great grandmother, auntie etc. to a large family who will all be feeling her loss today.

We also spoke about how King Charles III is our new king and how his role has changed from Prince Charles to be the King. For a lot of children (and many of us as adults) this still feels so strange but it is important to start talking to children about it today and in the days to come.


When we hear any more about the arrangements for the funeral and if schools and other institutions will close we will of course send those out to you as soon as possible.

Our usual newsletter will be sent out on Monday, instead of today.

Yours faithfully,

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