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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you following receiving guidance from the Department for Education regarding the official date of the State Funeral for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, which has now been confirmed as **Monday 19th September 2022**. This day will be a bank holiday and settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday will close on this day as a mark of respect. This will include Church Stretton School.

Her dedication to the country, the Realms and the Commonwealth has been exemplary and we thank her for her steadying presence and being a source of comfort and pride for generations of people.

On Friday, pupils spent some time in tutor groups looking at the Queen's reign of over 70 years and all were outstandingly respectful during the minute of silence we held in her memory. Please rest assured that should any pupils find this period of time difficult, which is very natural, we are here to provide ongoing support where required.

*John Parr*  
*Headteacher*