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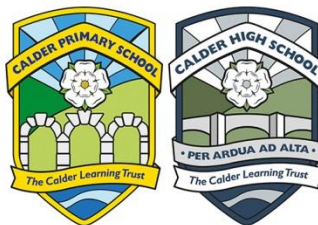
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Dear all,

## **Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II**

Following the very sad news of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, The Calder Learning Trust today joins the rest of the United Kingdom in a period of national mourning.

Today we are all observing the national 2 minutes silence for remembrance and reflecting on the Queen's 70 year reign. Over the coming days and weeks, we will be marking this historically significant moment with students during form time and assembly, and we will consider as a community how we can best commemorate HM Queen Elizabeth II and pay our respects to Britain's longest serving monarch and a remarkable lady who dedicated her life to providing dignified duty and devoted public service.

Whilst we appreciate that young people will have different reactions and strength of emotions, all students should be respectful and sensitive at this time and recognise the sense of loss which is being felt not only in the United Kingdom but also across the world. If any student or staff requires additional support during this period, we will ensure that this is provided.

The school remains open as usual, and full attendance is still expected as per national guidelines. However, we will be limiting our communications throughout the period of national mourning, providing only urgent and relevant updates as appropriate.

Please note, the train strikes planned for September 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> have now been suspended by the unions involved out of respect for The Queen and normal rail services are expected to resume as normal.

We will share further details when we are clearer about the arrangements for schools at the time of the state funeral, and subsequent coronation of the King.

Yours sincerely

Anthony Guise

**Headteacher**

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