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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: National Mourning and Attendance

Following the announcement from Buckingham Palace of the death of our sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a period of National Mourning has started and will continue until the end of the State Funeral. This is a period of time for reflection in response to the death of the Sovereign.

The official date of the State Funeral is Monday 19 September 2022. This day will be a bank holiday and settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday should close on this day as a mark of respect. This will include schools and colleges. Copley Academy will therefore be **closed on Monday 19 September 2022 and will reopen on Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 8.40am.**

Please can I take this opportunity to ask you for your support in improving whole school attendance and punctuality. The impact upon children's education through lost learning is huge. At a time when so much education has been disrupted it is vital that we make every school minute count. I urge you to ensure that your child is in the academy on time every day to prevent anyone falling behind with their learning.

Yours faithfully,

Ruth Craven
Principal