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Dear Families,

With the death of our Queen the school year has begun on a very sad and historic note. For all of us at Brookside, adults and children, we have known no other head of state. I wanted to write out to you today about the beginning of the school year but I find myself reflecting on the incredible life of an incredible woman. Whatever feeling we may have about the Monarchy I have never met anyone who did not respect the servitude, work ethic and love for our country that our Queen embodied throughout her long reign. Two key school rules Be Kind and Be Responsible shone out whenever we saw her on the television and she was a fantastic example to each and every one of us, no matter our age or our status.

Today, we will allow classes to reflect in their own personal spaces with their class teachers. Then next week, myself and Mrs Ashford will deliver some assemblies that reflect on the life of our Queen and the positive impact she had upon our country as our longest reigning monarch in over 1000 years.

If you want to explore the life of our Queen the Palace website is very useful <https://www.royal.uk/>



[The Royal Family](#)

The Queen and Government. The Queen has important formal roles in relation to the Government of the UK

[www.royal.uk](http://www.royal.uk)

God Bless the Queen and God Save the King.

Yours sincerely



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