

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a strange week for the nation as we prepare for the funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Much like her 70 year reign, I hope we've offered a constant and reliable presence for the children to support their wellbeing at this unusual time. We've all been learning about the Queen as part of our Fundamental British Values and the children have helped produce a stunning display in the School Hall.

Nursery News

The Sunnylands Nursery children have enjoyed the autumn sunshine with lots of outdoor play opportunities. Riding bikes and driving cars through a slalom course made of cones was quickly mastered! Mrs Colwill led a Playdough Disco activity; the children manipulated the dough whilst dancing to music and flashing lights. It was lovely to hear the happy laughter this produced. Today we have eaten marmalade sandwiches, coloured Paddington pictures and made crowns to wear in memory of The Queen.

PTA AGM Part II

The new PTA will meet for the second part of their AGM on **Wednesday 21st September** before school to present the Officers with accounts and annual documents. They will also discuss events they may wish to plan. All are welcome.

School Uniform

Don't forget that we will be in winter uniform from **Tuesday 20th September.**

Also, we are more than happy to exchange items that are purchased through the ParentMail shop but please ensure that the items are in their original packaging, with labels and hangers. Items should be returned to the School Office with a clear instruction of the exchange and we will then usually give the new item directly to your child to bring home as soon as we can.

Michaelmas Clubs

Clubs have re-started and they're as popular as ever. Remember that some of the groups have been split into two due to high demand, so do check the dates carefully on your confirmation sheets. Thank you to all of our teachers and TAs for offering such a wide variety of extracurricular activities.

Queen's Funeral - Bank Holiday: 19th September

School and Nursery will be closed on Monday as a mark of respect for the Queen's funeral, in line with DfE guidance for all education settings. We'll try to reorganise clubs that are missed and communicate any other changes when we can. I know that families will have different feelings

about Monday and I respect that you may be doing a variety of different things on the day. I will be at the Kettering commemoration service on Sunday, representing the community of St Peter's School and I will be with my family on Monday. St Peter and St Paul's Church in Kettering is open for the following:

- Sunday 18th September at 3.30pm - A Service of Commemoration for Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be held in the presence of the Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire and the Mayor of Kettering. All are welcome.
- Monday, 19th September from 10.00am-2.00pm - The church will be open, and the State Funeral of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be televised in the church from 11.00am. Tea and coffee will be provided, and visitors are welcome to bring a packed lunch.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher