



Parent Safeguarding Newsletter

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Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Recently we gathered together to give thanks for the life of the only Queen that most of us have ever known, our memories will inevitably be drawn to others we have also known, and are no longer with us. Bereavement and grief can be unpredictable. Feelings that we think have been left behind can suddenly unsettle us.

Two years ago, the children and young people in our schools were hit by an unprecedented global pandemic. The enforced lockdowns and Covid precautions meant that for many, endings were unsaid and life events missed.

For some children, the extensive coverage of the Queen's departure and the public displays of grief and flowers might raise feelings that they cannot name and questions you might not feel confident to answer. Adults also sometimes struggle to help children through this difficult period, however, for the children it is important that we try to do so and support them in the best way possible.

The attached leaflet is a colourful, child friendly way to talk to children about the life that the Queen spent as a monarch but also as a public servant.

Back to School and Online Safety

As the children return to school and are now settling into their new classes there will be important things they may have forgotten about general online safety rules. Please continue to remind your children about reporting anything of concern to a trusted adult – this can be a parent/carer, teacher or another adult they know well and can trust.

Children are now spending more and more time online playing games but also for completing homework and reading. Any login details and passwords should not be shared with anyone and if children report that someone is asking for this information or details about their home address and telephone numbers. Sharing of photos online or via WhatsApp is also a growing concern with children being enticed by peers or adults to send nude or semi-nude pictures.

The school and staff continue to work with the children to inform and educate them about staying safe both online and offline. Staying safe and respecting others is taught through lessons and form part of our weekly assemblies.

The extraordinary life of QUEEN ELIZABETH II



1926

Princess Elizabeth is born in London.



1945

Towards the end of World War II, 18-year-old Elizabeth joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trains as a driver and a mechanic.



1947

Princess Elizabeth marries Prince Philip, an officer in the Royal Navy.



1948

The princess gives birth to her first child, a boy named Charles who will grow up to be King.



1966

Her Majesty is at Wembley to see England beat West Germany (as it was called before the Berlin Wall came down) 4-2 in the World Cup final, presenting the trophy to victorious captain Bobby Moore.



1957

Her Majesty gives the first televised Christmas broadcast to the nation. 'The Queen's Speech' goes on to become a permanent and powerful tradition of the festive season.



1953

The new Queen is crowned at Westminster Abbey - the first coronation to be televised. Sales of TVs soar as many families buy one for the first time to watch the ceremony. The eventual worldwide audience is around 277 million.



1977

Britain and the Commonwealth celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee (marking 25 years on the throne). A chain of beacons is lit around the country, and thousands of street parties are held.



2015

Having ruled for 63 years, Queen Elizabeth becomes the longest-reigning monarch in British history - overtaking her great great grandmother, Queen Victoria.



2022

The nation celebrates the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with more events and street parties. Sadly, however, Her Majesty's health declines and she passes away months later, aged 96. After 70 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth II leaves a legacy of lasting affection and respect from people not only in the UK, but around the whole world.

Did you know?...

Rest well, Your Majesty - and thank you.

The Queen received her first Corgi, Susan, as an 18th birthday present. She loved that breed of dog throughout her life, going on to own another 30 of them.



In 1982, a mentally ill man broke into the palace and reached the Queen's bedroom! Reports suggest Her Majesty calmly kept him talking for 10 minutes until the security team arrived.



As Britain was still recovering from the effects of the war, the young Princess Elizabeth had to save ration coupons to buy the material for her wedding dress!

The Queen took the unusual step of inviting a TV documentary crew into Buckingham Palace in 1969. This let people see the Royal Family in a way they'd never been able to before.



It was Queen Elizabeth who, in 1993, decided to open up Buckingham Palace to visitors from the public for the first time.



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