

TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS

**EDUCATION & CHILDREN'S
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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you following the sad news of the passing of Her Majesty the Queen.

The date of Her Majesty the Queen's State Funeral is Monday 19th September 2022 and confirmation has been received that both the UK and Scottish Governments have announced a national bank holiday on this day. This date marks the last day of the period of National Mourning.

The Scottish Government has advised that schools and Early Learning and Childcare settings, across Scotland, should close on this day as mark of respect.

Therefore, I advise that all Fife Council schools and early learning and childcare settings will be closed to staff and pupils on Monday 19th September 2022, reopening on Tuesday 20th September 2022.

This week, schools will continue to remain open as normal, with usual expectations in place regarding pupil attendance. Therefore, any additional absence requests in relation to the period of National Mourning must be submitted to the Headteacher of your school.

We are aware that this will be a difficult time for many members of our school and childcare communities and recognise that some children and young people may require support for their wellbeing at this time. Support is available within their school or early years settings.

Yours sincerely



Carrie Lindsay, Executive Director (Education & Children's Services)