



Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II

Everyone at Barrow Hedges is saddened by the news that Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II has passed away.



Many parents will have seen that much was planned for today with Year 6 Evacuee Day, Year 5 Chessington and Year 3 Greek Day, as well as the first of our Reception children starting. We did not want to disrupt these activities but here at school today, Year 1 to Year 4 and Year 6 children have watched a BBC Newsround clip and have had a chance to discuss the Queen's passing with their teachers. Each Friday we hold a celebration 'Barney' assembly and so together we reflected on the significance of what has happened. Additionally, each class was presented with a Barney award for 'a *great start to the new school year*'. Year 5 won't miss out on this and will receive theirs on Monday.

As I am sure you will appreciate, it is important that this historic event is addressed in school, and we do so in an age-appropriate, sensitive way. We will have a special assembly on Monday.

Kind regards,

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