



Blue Coat Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents / Carers

The State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is due to take place on Monday 19th September. The Government has now confirmed that this will be a bank holiday and as such Blue Coat Church of England Academy will be closed on this date. St Matthew's Church will be holding a service of remembrance on Sunday 18th September, at 5pm, if members of the community wish to attend.

The school has made a positive start to the new academic year and has welcomed new Year 7 students, who are settling in well and becoming part of our 'Blue Coat Family'. I would also like to welcome several new staff members to the school:

Mr S Golden	Associate Assistant Headteacher
Mr K Phillips	Teacher of History and Geography
Miss S Kooner	Teacher of RE
Mr A Rohman	Teacher of Science
Mr S Wallis	Examinations Officer
Miss J Tariq	Learning Supervisor
Mr M Hussain	Learning Support Worker
Miss M Nowicka	EAL Teaching Assistant

Finally, as we begin a new year, can I please remind all families of the importance of school attendance. Research shows that students who fall below 95% attendance achieve lower exam results, which will impact on future opportunities. If your child has only 90% attendance for their five years in school, it means they will have missed half a school year of education. As a school community we want the very best for all students and this requires full attendance. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Yours faithfully

Ms V Owen
Headteacher

