



Executive Headteacher: Mrs L. A. Gwinnett

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Dear Parent,

September Update

In light of the sad news about the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, we join the nation in expressing our deepest sympathy.

We acknowledge and celebrate a lifetime of stability, duty and dignity – an example to us all. In tutor time, today, our students have had the chance to reflect on the Queen's life and reign and in line with what we know, get the answer some questions that have been asked. Although few of us will have experienced the death of a monarch and we do not know exactly what is to come, we can certainly anticipate some disruption to some aspects of our life that we may consider 'normal.' Possibly events that we have planned to attend at the weekend or even because some television programmes are postponed related to the extensive media coverage. We know that for some, changes like those mentioned and because of a death, this may be unsettling and some young people and they will need some extra care both at home and in school. If you do have any concerns or your child needs some extra support related to this or anything else, please get in touch with us on enquiries@burscoughprioryacademy.org or contact your child's Pastoral & Behaviour Manager:

Year 7 - Mrs Statter

Year 8 & 9 - Miss Thomas

Year 10 & 11 - Miss Pardoe-Matthews

Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mr Thornberry

Key Dates

At the start of this academic year, we would like to extend an invite to all of our parents to meet with the members of the Senior Leadership Team at our annual Welcome Evening. There will be a short presentation and then the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the session. As per the calendar, the dates and times are:

- **Thursday 15 September** – Year 7 at 5.30pm, Year 8 and 9 at 6.15pm
- **Thursday 29 September** – Year 10 at 5.30pm and Year 11 at 6.15pm

Parents are more than welcome to attend with students, who do not need to wear uniform. Please let us know in advance of the evening your intention to attend using this link [Welcome Evening Attendance 2022](#)

Another date for your attention:

- **Thursday 22 September:** Open Evening

Please note that school will close for all students at 12.30pm. There will be a 'brunch' service at break time and the buses are booked. School opens as normal on Friday 23 September at 8.45am.

Yours faithfully,

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Mrs MacLaren
Headteacher