

# HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



*'Grief is the price we pay for love' Elizabeth II*

Dear Parents

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to those families who are new to the Town Close community. As with all change, there is always a period of time for settling in, but there are many children, staff and parents who will be keen to help you out wherever possible, something I am sure you will see for yourself.

This weekly newsletter will help you to get a snap shot of school life and the busy place that it is. It is impossible to cover everything that goes on, but if you follow us on social media and keep checking in with the website, along with reading this newsletter, you will quickly understand the special place that the school is.

The start of term has been full of the excitement and energy that marks the beginning of the Autumn term, with the children reconnecting with old friends and making new ones. The Year 8s have returned from their Geography fieldtrip, having enjoyed a wonderful 3 days at Flatford Mill, while the rest of the children have settled back in to the routine of school life very quickly indeed.

While the beginning of a new school year is always very exciting indeed, the end of this week has been a sombre one with the passing of our monarch Queen Elizabeth II after more than 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom and the commonwealth.

While it is right that as a country we mourn her passing, we should also take the time to reflect on a life of service to this country that is likely to remain unmatched.

This morning Years 1 – 8 came together in the Read Hall to celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth II, done through a series of pictures charting her childhood and time on the throne, recognising the fine example that she has set for us all to follow. I know we are poorer as a country for her passing, but we have been very fortunate to have someone of her standing at the helm through all the turbulent times we have had during her reign.

As we bring the first week to a close, so I wish you all a relaxing weekend.

