

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
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Dear Parents and Families,

Today the world mourns the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

St Vincent's family would like to pass on our condolences to the Royal Family.

An inspiration to many, Queen Elizabeth II was a woman of numerous achievements during her long reign of 70 years.

I am speaking from the point of view of a person who is not British and yet, I cannot help but be deeply upset about such loss. In a world that is constantly changing at a fast pace, where many famous figures and influential people in the public eye come and leave our lives, she was always the constant calm figure to steady our minds and thoughts. She brought and maintained stability to our lives. Very much loved and revered around the world, I look at her life with admiration. She was a real rock to everyone around her, to her family as well as in her official role.

When I think about Britain, I think about the Queen, a real symbol of all that is British and a real example of devotion to her country and to others.

One thing to remember and admire, is her example of profound faith. The Queen read the Bible every day; one can draw the conclusion that this gave her the strength needed to give her entire life in service to others.

One of her greatest achievements ought to be the length of her reign. She was the longest serving monarch in history, with 70 years of active service. Queen Elizabeth II was 96 at the time of her death, and yet her passing somehow comes as a shock and I for one, felt unprepared. Her strong sense of duty and her determination made us feel she will always be here with us.

I hope the Royal Family can find comfort in the knowledge that she was loved by all, across the generations and in all corners of the world. I have no doubt she will continue to hold a special place of affection and respect in the hearts of the British people and beyond.

God rest her soul.

Mrs Gonzalez