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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to let you know of a very sad event that has affected our school, in particular our Year 6 community.

Over the weekend, one of our pupils sadly lost his mother. In an incredibly brave act, he attended school today and chose to share this news with some of his friends. Throughout the day, the children showed great kindness, empathy and maturity in supporting him. After leaving school, many children understandably displayed a range of emotions in response to this heartbreaking news.

We know that children can react differently when hearing about the death of someone they know. Some may have questions, feel upset, or wish to talk about their feelings. We would therefore ask that you monitor your child over the coming days and provide opportunities for them to share any worries or concerns they may have.

Please be reassured that our staff are available to offer support to any child who would like to speak with a trusted adult in school. If you feel your child may need additional support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

As a school community, we are deeply saddened by this loss. We extend our sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers to the family during this incredibly difficult time and ask that their privacy is respected as they come to terms with their bereavement.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs D Douglas
Headteacher.