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Dear Parents and Carers,

Change to Plans for Friday 20th December 2024

As you may be aware James Ilsley, previously our curriculum leader and long time teacher at QEGS sadly passed away recently. Over the course of his career with us he made a significant contribution to the lives and educational outcomes of many students and worked closely with staff across the school as a subject lead, teacher and online safeguarding ambassador and will be sadly missed by us all.

We have now had notification of the date and time of the funeral. The family have invited all QEGS staff who knew James and we want to facilitate this as best we can.

Therefore, due to the large number of staff attending the funeral and to safely staff the school, on Friday 20th December, we will only be able to educate onsite Years 7-8-9. Years 10-11-12-13 will be set work to complete independently by their teachers and will work from home.

The Carol Service for Yr7 students and special guests, at St Oswald's Church will take place as planned.

We hope you understand and support our decision, and we thank you in advance for your cooperation.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Head of Year.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Garrity

Headteacher