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Dear Families, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Following the sad news of Mrs Mitchell's passing last week, I would like to thank the community for their support. Thank you to the parents who have offered their condolences and kind words; to the children who have shared their memories and for all the staff who supported each other so that we could keep things as normal as possible. On Tuesday during collective worship, we gathered as a school community to reflect on the sad news and share our feelings at this difficult time.

As Mrs Mitchell was such an important part of our community and dedicated so many years to the families at Coulsdon School, the decision has been made, after consultation with the Local Authority and Governors, to close the school on the day of the funeral to allow her friends, colleagues and the school community at Coulsdon C of E to pay their respects. The funeral will take place at St John's Church on Tuesday 18th July at 12pm.

The family have stated that they would welcome people who would like to pay their respects and celebrate Mrs Mitchell's life to attend the service, and they would like people to wear blue, which was Mrs Mitchell's favourite colour.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Mr. Paul Garratty Head Teacher









