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Dear Parent/Carer

**Mr John McGarrie: 8 May 1967 - 2 August 2022**

It is with deep sadness and a heavy heart that I write to inform you of the death of our colleague and friend, Mr John McGarrie, who passed away on Tuesday, 2 August 2022, after a short battle with cancer.

Mr McGarrie joined Strathaven Academy in August 2010 as teacher of History/Modern Studies and very quickly became a highly-respected and much-loved member of our school community. Mr McGarrie was an excellent teacher, who was committed to supporting all young people in achieving their academic potential, as well as ensuring learners developed key life skills through the Eco Committee, clubs, outdoor learning, local community projects and, more recently, COP26.

Mr McGarrie was a devoted husband and father, and our thoughts are very much with his wife and son during this difficult time.

As pupils and staff come to terms with this tragic news, please be assured that we will provide relevant support as we return from the summer break.

Please contact your child's Pupil Support teacher if there is anything we can do to help.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Huq'.

W HUQ  
Head Teacher

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