



Headteacher : Mrs L MacLaren

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20 January 2023

Dear Parent,

Industrial Action Update

As you may be aware from the media, the National Education Union (NEU), in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1992, are calling upon their members to strike. Some strike days will be regional, and others will be national. The proposed industrial action dates for the North West, and impacting on our school, are:

Wednesday 1 February

Tuesday 28 February

Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March

We will aim to keep the school open wherever possible. If staff elect to take lawful industrial action, we will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and well-being of all pupils. If we are unable to remain open for all children we will prioritise vulnerable students and those students in Year 11 who have examinations later in the year. We are aware that school closures inconvenience parents and carers and so I am writing to give you advance notice of this potential outcome so that you have time to plan childcare for your children if it required.

As a school we will undertake a risk assessment on how the strike day will impact on the school and take all reasonable steps to remain open for as many students as possible. Over the coming days we will review guidance from the Trust, and DFE and will inform you about how the action will affect your child closer to 1st February when we are given an indication of which teachers may be taking part in the strike action.

We will treat each of the strikes as individual instances and, therefore, will make a decision on our level of provision for children and inform parents prior to each of the proposed strike dates.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We will confirm, as soon as we are able to, the provision we are able to safely offer.



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Staff Update

We would like to also let you know that Miss Pagliarulo has re-joined us in PDC and I know many of you will be delighted to welcome her back to school. In summary:

Year 7: Mrs Statter

Year 8/9: Miss Pagliarulo

Year 10/11: Miss Pardoe-Matthews

Attendance Lead: Miss Reed

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Thornberry

Pastoral Administrator: Mrs Murray

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 25 January –PSHCE Day & Brown Envelope Day for Year 11

Thursday 26 January – Year 10 Parents' Evening (correspondence has been sent out)

Wednesday 1 February – NEU Industrial Action (details to follow next week)

Thursday 2 February – Year 11 Group Photograph & Creatives Evening

Thursday 9 February – Year 9 Options Parents' Evening & Guidance Event

Friday 10 February – School closes for Half Term at 3.15pm

Monday 20 February – School reopens for the new term at 8.45am

Thank you for all of your kind words and support following the publication of the Ofsted report. A link to it can be found [here](#) on the website.

Best wishes to you for the weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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