

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Industrial action update**

The next scheduled day of industrial action by the NEU is:

- **Wednesday 5 and Friday 7 July.**

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay. The potential effect will not be restricted to our school, but the impact on each school will differ.

As I mentioned in my previous correspondence, when making decisions, we have had to take into account union membership, staffing levels and how we can ensure the health and safety of our pupils in school.

On **Wednesday 5 July**, school will therefore be open for pupils in **Year 7**.

On **Friday 7 July**, school will therefore be only open for pupils in **Year 10**.

Vulnerable pupils will also be invited to attend where capacity allows on each of the days. Parents/carers will be contacted directly by school.

Pupils in school may not be able to attend their normal lessons so we ask that they bring with them a reading book. It may be that we may run a number of activities throughout the day in place of timetabled lessons.

Pupils in all other year groups will need to remain at home on the days. For pupils not in school, we are not able to provide work for each lesson as the closure is part of an industrial dispute and the withdrawal of a person's labour or professional services on that day, however we will make some resources available on ClassCharts for pupils to engage with.

Please note that buses will run as normal on both days for those pupils who need to attend and the canteen will be open as usual. There will be no extra-curricular clubs or **school mini bus** available on this day.

Vouchers will be provided for pupils in receipt of free school meals for whom school is not open.

I'm sorry that some of you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and I thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely



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