



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer/Guardian,

We are writing to update you on the provision we are able to offer on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 following the industrial strike action that is planned for this day.

We must reiterate that this can be subject to change depending on the actual impact on our school, which cannot be precisely predicted. We will notify you of any changes to these arrangements for this and any future strike action days.

Please carefully read the information below to ensure you are aware of the provision which will be available to your child as these have changed since our last update.

Year Group	Classes	Provision offered
Early Years	1, 2 and 3	Open
One	4,5, and 6	Open
Two	7,8 and 9	Closed
Three	10,11 and 12	Closed
Four	13,14 and 15	Closed
Five	16,17 and 18	Closed
Six	19,20 and 21	Open

**All classes across the school from Year 2,3,4 & 5 will be closed.**

Throughout the period of industrial action onsite provision **will be available** for vulnerable children in all other year groups.

All children in Early Years (classes 1, 2 and 3), Year 1 (classes 4,5 &6) and Year 6 (classes 19, 20 & 21) will have classes open. Please attend school and follow the normal daily routines. Staff will, as always, meet and greet children as they arrive at school and be at the door to dismiss children at the end of the school day.

**Vulnerable children in all other year groups.**

Vulnerable children include children who are supported by social care, those with safeguarding and welfare needs, including child in need plans, on child protection plans, 'looked after' children, young carers, disabled children and those with education, health and care (EHC) plans. Please click [the link](#) for more information on the criteria for vulnerable children.

Parents/carers of children identified as vulnerable will be contacted by the school directly by the end of the school day on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023**. All vulnerable children identified and invited to attend are expected to attend school as normal on the strike days.

You will be notified of drop off points and pick up points for your child – please note that this may differ from your child’s regular classroom but will be within your child’s year group and with a known member of staff. All doors will be clearly labelled to ensure clarity of drop off points.

Any non-attendance will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Our usual first day response to absence will be applied, such as contact with parents and home visits where appropriate, in keeping with our usual policies.

### **Years 2 through to 5 are not expected to attend school**

For students in years 2,3,4 & 5 classes are closed for industrial action and they should not attend the school, unless they are contacted by the school. Students will be able to access remote learning as explained below.

### **Remote Education**

Due to the strike action, we will be unable to offer live remote learning sessions. We know that children may wish to access learning on these days therefore we have provided details on our school website of how they can do this [follow this link](#). This includes information by year group and some suggested learning opportunities to support current learning in school or to consolidate previously taught topics. The learning provided is optional and there is no requirement to provide evidence of this. Students can access on-line education work using any digital device including desktop PC, laptop, tablet, game console or mobile phone.

### **Safeguarding information**

If you have any concerns about the safeguarding or welfare of a child/family during the industrial strike day, please contact the school directly on 01925 712554.

### **Lunch**

For children who will attend school they should either bring their packed lunch from home or have a cooked school dinner as per their normal practice.

For those children who receive a free school meal but are not expected to attend school on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and subsequent strike days will be offered a packed lunch which can be collected from school on the day of each strike. Please complete the survey [here](#) to inform the school if you would like a meal provided for your child. Meals will be available from 11am via the school office.

**On the industrial strike day(s) there will be a core body of staff supervising the school as follows:**

- The Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and Assistant Headteacher
- Designated safeguarding professionals and attendance officers, monitoring daily attendance of those students that are expected to attend.

- Administrative staff, ensuring switchboards are staffed and able to respond to enquiries.
- Site staff to ensure the school grounds are secure
- A core of teachers/support staff delivering a programme of activities, on a rota basis.
- Catering and cleaning teams.

For those children attending school, we will be open from 8.40am and will close to students at 3.15pm. Extra-curricular clubs on the day of industrial action will be cancelled and a refund offered.

Students attending school will be required to wear their normal uniform at all times. The expectations as detailed in our behaviour policy remain in place to ensure we maintain a safe environment for our students and staff.

Finally, in order to effectively safeguard those students who are expected to attend the school on the strike days, we politely ask that parents inform us by 8.30am if their child is unable to attend on that day due to illness. This student absence should be communicated using normal school procedures.

We will write to you again before the next proposed day of industrial action to outline the arrangements, so please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any questions or queries about this communication.

We thank you for your understanding and co-operation during this time.

Yours faithfully,



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Chief Executive Officer



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