



# LITTLE ILFORD SCHOOL

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## NEU Strike Action

7th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide an update regarding the industrial action by the National Education Union (NEU). Unfortunately I can confirm that the strike **will be going ahead tomorrow, Thursday 8 January 2026.**

Due to the high number of staff members involved, we are unable to open the school to all students safely. However, we have made the following arrangements:

- **Vulnerable Students:** We will be contacting the families of vulnerable students directly to invite them into school tomorrow. (Please confirm attendance)
- **Childcare:** If the closure presents significant childcare challenges, please contact the school at [info@littleilford.org](mailto:info@littleilford.org) and we will do our best to support you.
- **Free School Meals:** A packed lunch will be available for all students entitled to free school meals from the school reception between 12:40pm - 1:20pm.
- **Device Access:** If your child does not have access to a digital device or the internet at home to complete their remote work, please contact us immediately. We can arrange for them to come into school to work from our facilities.

Students are expected to follow their regular school day structure remotely. Students should log into the programmes below and complete work according to the following schedule. All students already have login details, if they are struggling to login please contact the school.

- **Periods 1 & 2:** Sparx Maths
- **Periods 3 & 4:** Century Tech Science
- **Periods 5 & 6:** Century Tech English

The current proposed further dates are:

- Tuesday 13 January and Wednesday 14 January 2026
- Tuesday 20 January, Wednesday 21 January, and Thursday 22 January 2026

We are currently **engaged in negotiations with the union** to find a resolution to this dispute. While the union has outlined further strike dates for later in January, we will continue to keep you informed of any changes or further closures as soon as information becomes available.

Let me reassure you that we are doing all we can to minimise the disruption this has to learning for all of our students. Thank you for your ongoing patience and support of the school community during this time.



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