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Dear Parents/Carers

UPDATE: Strike Action – 15 & 16 March 2023

Good afternoon

Following my letter earlier this week I am now able to share with you the plans for the three SVF schools for Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March 2023.

Seaton Sluice Middle School we are sadly going to have to close on both days to all pupils, except those that are vulnerable or if they are children of key workers. Work will be set on google classroom.

Whytrig Middle School will be open for Year 5 only on Wednesday 15 March, sadly we are going to have to close to all pupils in Years 6, 7, and 8, except those that are vulnerable or if they are children of key workers. Thursday 16 March School closed to all year groups. Work will be set on google classroom.

Astley Community High School will be open on both days for Year 11 and 13, who will attend their normal timetabled lessons. Should their lesson be covered by someone who is not their normal teacher, the pupils will be expected to revise and so it is suggested that they bring revision/home work with them just in case. The school will be closed for Year 9, 10 and 12 pupils who will work at home completing coursework, homework tasks and google classroom work set.

We will be open for those pupils who are vulnerable and the children of key workers who completed the google form.

The reason we have had to take these decisions is because we have a number of staff who are striking as is their democratic right or we have staff who have to be at home for childcare because the schools of those children are closed.

We will write to the parents/carers of the vulnerable children directly with instructions/details for Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March.

For those pupils who are in receipt of free school meals, and have completed the google form, we will provide a packed lunch. Your child will be given two packed lunches on Tuesday afternoon (apart from WMS Y5 of course who will get one on the Wednesday afternoon).

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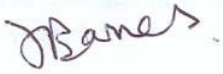


Seaton Sluice kitchen will not be preparing food on either day, however students will be able to purchase drinks at lunchtime.

Astley and Whytrig kitchen will be operating on a reduced menu at both break and lunch.

I realise that you may well be frustrated by the decision that we have made, but hope you can understand that we have spent a long time considering our options and it has not been an easy one to make.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'JBarnes'.

John Barnes
Executive Headteacher

