



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you will be aware that, following their strike action earlier in the year, the National Education Union (NEU) has declared further strike action for teaching staff on **Wednesday 5th July** and **Friday 7th July**.

Whilst the planned action is as a result of a national dispute between the unions and the Government, and not the school, it is important that we respond accordingly in the interests of our students whilst respecting the rights of our staff. Therefore, my aim is to give you as much notice as possible of the likely impact of the strike action on the school.

When planning our on-site provision, we have prioritised students in Year 10, and we will run in-person exams and classes for this year group on both days. It is vital that year 10 students attend as they are in the middle of their mock exams. On Wednesday 5th July we have induction day for our new Year 12 students.

For Years 7, 8, and 9, we shall provide work remotely for students to complete.

For the Year 9 students attending the PGL trip on the Friday, students will need to come to the school canteen and meet Miss Tangi with their bags at 11:30 am. Please ensure all bags, equipment (eg bedding) and clothing are labelled. The coach will be leaving school site at 12:30 pm but bags and equipment will need to be loaded on the coach and mini van for a prompt departure so please be on site by 11:30 am. Those not going on the trip will remain at home.

For a small group of students with specific needs, we will provide the option of onsite provision so that they can carry out the remote work under supervision. If your child is identified as requiring this need, we will contact you separately to confirm arrangements.

Students that are eligible for free school meals **not required in school** will be issued with a £5 food voucher at the end of the day on Tuesday 4th July for the 5th July strike day, and then again on Thursday 6th July for the July 7th strike day. These vouchers can be used in major supermarkets. For those students in school, catering will continue as normal.

We appreciate that industrial action is disruptive and you may need to change your plans or working arrangements whilst this action is ongoing. If the strike action is called off then we will confirm this as soon as we have been notified and, in this eventuality, the school will be open as usual to all students.

Please note that Thursday 6th July is not a strike day and the school will be fully open as usual. All students must attend school on this day.

If you have any questions or concerns about the alternative arrangements outlined above, please do contact us.

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