

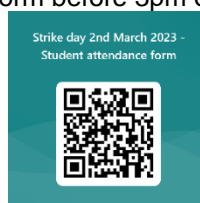
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Dear Parents/Carers

On Thursday 2nd of March members of the National Education Union (NEU) will be taking industrial action and a number of teaching staff will not be in school on this day.

To minimise disruption to pupils and to ensure the school site can operate safely, we are taking the following actions:

- **Year 7** pupils to attend school as normal. The normal timetable will be followed where possible but some lessons will be covered by staff other than their usual teacher.
- **Years 8, 9 and 10** will remain at home. Pupils will be invited to a remote briefing via a Zoom link (emailed to pupil email addresses) where the educational plans for the day will be outlined. This will include independent work and links to resources.
- **Year 11** pupils to attend school. Lessons will be attended as normal. Where subject teachers are absent, pupils will be completing revision tasks in the hall with subject specialists.
- **Year 12 and 13** pupils to attend as normal. Where teachers are not in school, pupils will be working in the Sixth Form Hub.
- All year 8, 9 and 10 pupils in receipt of free school meals will receive an e-voucher that will be emailed to parents.
- We will provide a limited provision for pupils in Years 8, 9, and 10 who are part of the SRP, have an EHCP, have parent(s) who are critical workers, or for pupils whose parents have concerns about them remaining at home unsupervised. This provision will include supervised access to remote learning. If you would like your child to access this provision, please click [here](#) to complete this form before 3pm on 1st March.



Asking pupils to remain at home is not a decision that we have taken lightly, but in light of the circumstances we must ensure that the school site remains safe and that pupils are given the best opportunity to access meaningful work, be it in school or via remote working.

The timings of the school day will remain the same and all pupils are expected in school on Friday 3rd March. Year 9 Parents' Evening on Thursday 2nd March will be going ahead, on site, as planned.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and understanding in challenging circumstances. We will update you on plans for the other planned strike days in March, but we will always aim to keep the school open for as many pupils as possible to avoid unnecessary disruption.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher