

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re. Planned strike action by the NEU – Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May

Thank you for your support and understanding during this period of industrial action. As before, we have a significant number of teachers who are NEU members and we anticipate that there will be enough staff supporting the strike to cause significant disruption to the school.

Therefore, given that we are unable to guarantee adequate supervision of students who are on site, we have decided for Health and Safety reasons we must do the following:-

- Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will work from home
 - Students should work from home, following their timetabled day and access their lessons through google classroom independently. Further enrichment activities will be emailed to students on the day.
- Year 7 Parents evening has now been moved to Thursday 11th May 2023 and further information has been sent out.
- Year 11 will be in school both days for the whole day
 - All students are expected to be in school in full school uniform.
 - They will be expected to arrive at school for a normal school day and will have an assembly with Mr Wood in the hall as usual. They NEED to attend this assembly to ensure they know the workings and expectations of the day.
 - Those who have chromebooks are expected to bring these fully charged into school
 - When not in face to face lessons students will be expected to complete independent revision in the sports hall and so any revision guides/books that they will need should also be brought into school.
 - Some students will receive separate information about where they should be based for their independent revision if they receive certain exam concessions.
- Year 11 BTEC Performing Arts students will be finishing their Non-Examination Assessments on 27th April. If your child is included in this, a letter with details of what subject and where to go will be sent separately.
- Year 11 students completing their Art Exam scheduled for 2nd May will be given further information about this exam next week.
- Year 10 BTEC Animal Care students will be finishing their Non-Examination Assessments on 2nd May. If your child is included in this, a letter with details of what subject and where to go will be sent separately.
- Students in years 7-10 who have a Peripatetic Music lesson booked for either day will be able to come into school for their lesson at their usual time. If you have any questions please contact Mrs E Thomas directly.
- Students in years 7-10 who have an Educational Health Care Plan, those who are subject to a Child in Need Plan or a Child Protection Plan and those students who are Looked After will once more be able to come into school . We will contact these parents to ask if they would like their child to come into school on this day. They will be supervised and supported to complete the same pieces of work that students at home will be completing.

- The canteen will be open with a reduced choice of food both break times on both days should students wish to purchase food.
- For students who are eligible for Free School Meals, we will be emailing out a voucher to their parents next week.

Again, I am sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education but, as you will appreciate, our first priority has to be providing a safe and secure environment for our students and to do our best to ensure that whatever we offer we can safely manage.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Oakley