



26th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Planned industrial action: Wednesday 1st February 2023

I am writing to confirm the plans with you for the first day of industrial action, in order that you can make any necessary arrangements with as much notice as possible. On behalf of us all, I would like to thank you, in advance, for your support. It is appreciated. Hopefully, this letter will give you all of the information that you need in relation to our response on 1st February.

School will be **closed to the vast majority of students on Wednesday, 1st February** but **Year 13 should attend as normal on this day.**

In addition, a **small number of Year 11 students** will be expected to attend school because they have a formal, external examination to sit. A separate letter will be sent to parents of those **Year 11** students with specific instructions. If you do not receive a letter, then your daughter will not have an examination to attend on that day and she should remain at home.

The decision to have a partial closure is for health and safety reasons because, as you will be aware, we will be unable to confirm sufficient staffing numbers. Students working remotely from home will be directed to a range of online resources via Show my Homework. Additionally, students should check their emails too as some work may be shared that way. If your daughter does not have access to online resources, **please complete and submit this link by the end of the day on Friday 27th January** so that a work pack can be made available. These work packs will be issued on Tuesday, 31st January in form time.

On 1st February, we will be open for identified vulnerable students (who have been contacted separately) and for any students of critical workers. If you are a critical worker and find yourself unable to make arrangements for your daughter on that day, **please would you complete and submit this link by the end of the day on Friday 27th January** giving the necessary information and indicating that you would like your daughter to attend school on 1st February, so that we can plan in advance. Would you please also indicate whether your daughter normally catches a school bus so that we can inform the bus company. Thank you for your help in this regard. Please be aware that any student in Year 7 to Year 12 attending school on this day will be using the same online resources in one of our supervised computer rooms.

In terms of food, if any student working remotely on that day is eligible for a free school meal, then a voucher will be sent to parents via email using the Wonde system. This will be issued on Friday 27th January so that parents have access to it well in advance of 1st February.

For those students attending school, a reduced break and lunch menu will be available.

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As you know, further strike days are planned and we have notified you of the dates. Any plans for future days will be shared with you as soon as possible and we will aim to try and ensure a fair spread of remote and in-school learning.

Thank you for your understanding and support at this complex time.

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely

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