

21 April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

## STRIKE ACTION – THURSDAY 27 APRIL AND TUESDAY 2 MAY 2023

I am sure you will be aware that, following their strike action earlier in the year, the National Education Union (NEU) has declared strike action for teaching staff on **Thursday 27 April 2023** and **Tuesday 2 May 2023**.

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.

We will follow the same plan that was in place as before, namely, that the school will only be open to our Y11 students, as well as our vulnerable students and students of keyworkers.

For our remaining students in Y7, Y8, Y9 and Y10, work will be set on Google Classrooms for remote learning.

Students that are eligible for free school meals **who cannot attend due to strike action** will be issued with a £5 food voucher at the end of the day on Wednesday 26 April 2023 and again on Friday 28 April 2023. 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 <u>Friday 28 April 2023</u> is not a strike day and the school will be fully open as usual. <u>All</u> students must attend school on this day.

Please be assured that if the strike action is called off, we will communicate this to you at the earliest opportunity and, in this eventuality, the school will be open as usual to all students.

If you have any questions or concerns about the alternative arrangements outlined above, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully

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