

Dear Parents and Carers,

## National Strike Action 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

As you may be aware, the National Education Union has voted for further strike action on March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> 2023. We are very proud of our strong working relationships with our staff and understand that those taking strike action are in dispute with the government rather than individual schools.

In response, we will be offering the following provision:

- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** School will be **closed to Year 5** only. Remote learning opportunities will be provided.
- **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March** school will be **closed to Year 8** only. Remote learning opportunities will be provided.
- Other year groups should come in to school as normal on those days.

We recognise the inconvenience this may cause to Y5 and Y8; however, it is our responsibility to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our students and in view of the reduced number of staff available, this is not something we could guarantee if we were to open to all students.

**All students** will follow an adapted timetable on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March and those in school will be taught by the remaining staff on rotation. This is also our final practice SATS week for Y6 which we have been unable to move due to other commitments.

Students should bring their regular equipment – we will notify you and the students if they require PE kit nearer the time.

**15<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5** students will have work to complete and online contact with Mrs Fullwood once the practice SATS have been completed (10.30 approximately). She will deliver sessions via our learning platform or will guide students through learning that has been set for them to complete independently. If students do not have internet access or a device to work on at home, please let us know and other work will be provided. **Y5** students who are entitled to a free school meal will be given a packed lunch for Wednesday before they leave on Tuesday.

**16<sup>th</sup> March - Year 8** students will have work to complete and online contact with Mrs Cadwallader once the practice SATS have been completed (11.15 approximately). She will deliver sessions via our learning platform or will guide students through learning that has been set for them to complete independently. If students do not have internet access or a device to work on at home, please let us know and other work will be provided. **Y8** students who are entitled to a free school meal will be given a packed lunch for Thursday before they leave on Wednesday.

We thank you for your continued support.



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