

Dear Parents and Carers,

## National Strike Action 27<sup>th</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

As you may be aware, the National Education Union (NEU) has voted for further strike action on April 27<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023. We continue to be 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.

Since the last strike, a number of our staff have moved over to the NEU, so we are unable to sustain the level of provision maintained previously.

In response, we will be offering the following provision:

- **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April** School will be **open to Y6 only**. School will be closed to Y5, 7 and 8. Work will be provided.
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** school will be **open to Y6 only**. School will be closed to Y5, 7 and 8. Work will be provided.

We recognise the inconvenience this will cause to Y5, Y7 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.

**Y6 students** will continue their studies in preparation for SATS, but will also experience other subjects so they should wear their PE kit to school on these days.

**Y5, 7 and 8 students** will be set work on the Century platform and through their Knowledge Banks and there will be an online session with a member of staff (details to follow). Paper based work will be available if internet or device access is limited – please inform your child's form tutor.

Students who are entitled to a free school meal will be given a packed lunch for Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> before they leave on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. As there is a bank holiday before the Tuesday's strike, we will take orders for free school meals on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> and you will be able to collect lunches from school on the Tuesday. We will confirm collection times once we know numbers.

Our thanks for your continued support.

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