

National Strike Action 5th July and 7th July 2023

Dear parents and carers,

As you may be aware, the National Education Union (NEU) has voted for further strike action on 5th July and 7th July 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.

In response, we will be offering the following provision:

- **Wednesday 5th July** School will be **open to Y5 only**. School will be closed to Y6, 7 and 8. Work will be provided. Those **Y8 students representing us for 'Solutions for the Planet'** at Westminster will continue with their visit to the capital unless we are notified of any change to the event.
Y5 will be doing some GL testing, so it would be helpful if students could bring headphones (not expensive ones) to school if they have any. Thank you.
- **Friday 7th July** school will be **open to Y7 only**. School will be closed to Y5, 6 and 8. Work will be provided. **Y6 students attending the performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream** will need to attend school from 11.45 am in school uniform.
Y7 will be doing some GL testing, so it would be helpful if students could bring headphones (not expensive ones) to school if they have any. Thank you.

We recognise the inconvenience this will cause to the year groups not in school; 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.

Students working at home 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 as soon as possible.

Students who are not in school, who are entitled to a free school meal, will be given a packed lunch for the strike days the day before.

The 5th July was originally our transition day for students moving to us from Y4 and those moving on to Y9. Transition day will now take place on the 6th July.

Once again, I thank for your continued support.

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