



13 March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Regretfully, I must inform you of further planned teacher strikes this week. There is planned action for Wednesday, 15 and Thursday, 16 March. As I have informed you previously, this will cause significant disruption to the school, meaning we will not be able to teach all students on those days.

Therefore, please read the following information carefully, as the set up this week is considerably different to the last strike.

On Wednesday, 15 March 2023, only the following student groups will be required to attend school:

1. Vulnerable students (you will be contacted directly by the school)
2. All 7 students
3. Some Y13 students

Year 7 students:

All Y7 students will start their day as normal at 8.25am. Changes to their timetable will be shared with them during their tutor time period.

Year 13 students:

Y13 students that have a timetabled lesson period 1, will attend as normal. Other Y13 students will be advised about their lessons running or not, via email.

On Thursday, 16 March 2023, only the following student groups will be required to attend school:

1. Vulnerable students (you will be contacted directly by the school)
2. All 11 students
3. Some Y13 students

Year 11 students:

All Y11 students will start their day as normal at 8.25am. Changes to their timetable will be shared with them during their tutor time period.

Year 13 students:

Y13 students that have a timetabled lesson period 1, will attend as normal. Other Y13 students will be advised about their lessons running or not, via email.



Students in Y8-Y11 and Y12, on Wednesday and students in Y7-10 and 12 on Thursday, who are not vulnerable, will be able to access learning online via the following programme of study for that day:

- Students will have access to a range of resources to support them with their remote learning during the strike day. Remote learning will be set on Arbor for English, Maths, Science, History and Geography. This will involve accessing online lessons via Oak Academy, assignments on GCSEPod or Hegarty Maths. All students have been prepared in their lessons with their login details to be able to access this learning.
- Work booklets can be provided as an alternative. Please inform the Pastoral Officer for your child, if you require this resource.
- Further help and guidance is available via the school's website on how to access remote learning [HERE](#). If your child does not have access to an IT device or internet access, please get in touch with the school by the end of the week and we will support you as best we can.

There will be no enrichment activities on either day, meaning that the school day will finish at 2.35pm for all students in attendance on Wednesday or Thursday.

Twilight lessons, for Post 16 students, where we can staff them, will run as normal. Details will be shared on the day with students.

As previously, please note, because of the uncertainty over who will be striking, and the effect to teachers with children in other schools may have, in terms of child care arrangements, we may have to change our plans entirely, either the day before or indeed even on the day itself.

We will do all we can to maintain, as 'normal' a curriculum as we can, but, if this is not possible, I may have to send some students home on the day itself, or close the school entirely.

In whichever case presents itself, I will ensure we communicate any changes to you as quickly as possible.

Any families who are entitled to free school meals, can request grab bags for both days. These will be provided on Tuesday, 14 March to take home. Please inform your child's Pastoral Officer if you wish to take up this offer.

Once more, I thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Yours faithfully



Matthew West
Principal