



Ref: THA/LHE

28<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may have heard that the National Education Union (NEU) is still in disagreement with the government regarding a fully funded raise in teachers' salaries. As a result, the NEU is encouraging its members to participate in industrial action. The next strike is scheduled for

Due to the number of staff planning to strike, the school will be closed on [redacted] to Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and Year 12 students. The school will remain open for Year 6 students.

On [redacted] the school will be closed to [redacted] year groups, including Year 6.

On [redacted] and [redacted], students will move to remote learning. Non-striking teachers will teach online lessons to their students.

Your child will be invited to attend lessons delivered online through Google Meet, which will be scheduled

Y10 students that are taking part in work experience should continue to attend their placement on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. If your child in Y10 is not participating in work experience, they may be required to attend school to finish some coursework. You will receive a separate letter if this applies to your child.

In line with Department for Education guidance, students with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) and those in Local Authority care will also be invited to school. The families of these students will receive a further letter explaining the arrangements for the day.

All students who are eligible for a free school meal will be able to collect a 'grab bag' for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of July. A separate letter detailing arrangements for ordering and collecting a 'grab bag' will be sent to parents of students eligible for a free school meal.

We understand the difficulty that the strike days may pose for our families and would like to reiterate that our decisions for the strike days have been taken to ensure the health and safety of all our students.

If you have any further questions at this stage, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. Hardcastle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small flourish at the end.

Mr Hardcastle  
Headteacher