

Dear Parent/Carer

INDUSTRIAL ACTION Tuesday 2nd May 2023

I am writing to give you advance notice of the impact of the action on this school.

The decision to close the school or send pupils home is never taken lightly, but in this instance, where staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of all pupils.

The public exam season begins week commencing 2nd May. Therefore, the school will be closed to all pupils except for;

Y11 pupils who have a timetabled Public Exam. This includes pupils who have speaking tests in Modern Foreign Languages. Arrangements will be communicated separately to these pupils. **Failure to attend will result in no mark being recorded.** These pupils will be able to leave at the end of their exam(s).

Due to the logistics involving public exams, there will be **no face to face teaching for Y11** on this day. Staff will be asked to set work for Y11 via TEAMS. Y11 pupils, other than those who have a public exam, are not required to attend.

However, we are offering study rooms with access to computers for Y11 pupils who would rather work in school. They will also follow their timetabled lessons for this day and complete work set via TEAMS. They should also bring some of their own work to complete. They should line up in forms in the yard outside **Acacia Road Hall**. At 8.00am.

Y12 and Y13. Attendance is compulsory for these Year Groups.

Y13 should collect their timetables from Miss Harte in the 6th form office and Y12 collect theirs from pupil reception on Cantley Site.

Vulnerable children and young people. Parents and carers of these pupils will be contacted individually by our Safeguarding Team and should also attend the Acacia site at 8.00am.

All students must attend in normal school uniform.

School buses will run as normal **The canteen** in the Sixth Form Graduate Centre will be open. No other food will be available so Y11 who attend should also bring a packed lunch.

For all other students Years 7-10 should remain at home for the day and should access remote learning via Teams. They should seek to follow their usual timetable for the day and supplement their studies with work from Oak National academy www.thenational.academy. They should go to 'View subjects by year group'. Please be aware that staff who have decided to undertake industrial action are not obliged to set work for their classes.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Yours faithfully

John Rooney
Headteacher