

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and well.

You will be aware that the largest teachers' union, the NEU, has called for strike action on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May. Having consulted with the union and carefully considered levels of staffing across the school, I have concluded that it will not be feasible to accommodate students in all year groups on site safely on these days. In light of this, we have made following arrangements for both Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May.

Years 7, 8, 9 and Year 12 (other than 12SHA – Year 12 GCSE group)

School will not be open to students in Years 7, 8, 9 and Year 12 (other than 12SHA). Those teachers who are not on strike will deliver lessons via Satchel:one. The work for these lessons will be uploaded and the teachers will be available for the duration of the lesson; in some cases teachers will be able to deliver live lessons and the details of this will be uploaded onto Satchel:one. It is our full expectation that students in these year groups will undertake all work set to the very best of their ability.

Year 10

Year 10 will attend school and follow their examination timetable, arriving at the correct holding area for their scheduled exam. Once they have completed their exam, they must return home to undertake independent study or work set on Satchel:one.

On Thursday 27th April, most students will leave after their science exam. Those students who study PE will then have a short break before beginning their PE exam, after which they will go home.

On Tuesday 2nd May, all students will go home after their maths exam.

Year 13 and 12SHA – Year 12 GCSE group

Students in Year 13 and 12SHA (who will be sitting exams this term) are expected to attend school and participate in their scheduled lessons, available on the day. The Octagon will be available for supervised study as normal.

Year 11

It is the expectation that all Year 11 students will attend school. They should arrive at the slightly later time of 8.50 and make their way directly to lesson 1. They will then follow their normal timetable for the day.

All good wishes,

Ms A Fearon Headteacher