



26th January 2023

Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU teaching union has declared strike action, which will take place on the following dates:

- Wednesday 1st February (England and Wales)
- Tuesday 28th February (Northern, North West, and Humber regions)
- Wednesday 15th March (England and Wales)
- Thursday 16th March (England and Wales)

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the teaching unions and the government. The potential effect will not be restricted to our school, but the impact on each school will differ.

I'm getting in touch now to give you further information about our arrangements for Wednesday 1st February. When making decisions about the structure of the day, we have had to take into account union membership, staffing levels and, most importantly, how we can ensure the health and safety of our pupils in school.

On Wednesday 1st February, school will be open for pupils in years 7 and 11 only.

Vulnerable pupils in years 8, 9 and 10 will also be invited to attend where capacity allows. Parents of these students will be contacted directly.

Pupils in school may not be able to attend their normal lessons, so we ask that:

- pupils in year 11 bring some revision materials with them for supported study
- pupils in year 7 should make sure they have their reading books with them

Pupils in years 8, 9 and 10 will need to remain at home. For pupils not in school, we are not able to provide specific work for each lesson as the closure is part of an industrial dispute and the withdrawal of a person's labour or professional services on that day, however CHS will make some resources available on Epraise.

To access this work, pupils in years 8, 9 and 10 will need to log onto their Epraise accounts as they usually would to find homework.

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Work will appear on the pupil's 'planner' page, which looks like this:

22nd January - 28th January 2023						
Sun 22nd January	Mon 23rd January	Tue 24th January	Wed 25th January	Thu 26th January	Fri 27th January	Sat 28th January
+	Geography Hot Deserts Educake	Maths Spax	History Brown Vs Topeka	+	+	+
	Science Science homework	+	Science Crude Oil			
	+		+			

Where the work requires a resource to complete, such as a worksheet, there will be a cloud symbol, which students click on to view or download the resource:

Mon 16th January	Tue 17th January
Geography Rainforests Memory Geogger	History Cold War: End of Topic Assessment

We will be asking staff to ensure they do not set work that requires printing.

Please note that buses will run as normal on that day for those pupils who need to attend, and the canteen will be open as usual. Vouchers will be provided for pupils in receipt of free school meals for whom school is not open. There will be no co-curricular clubs available on this day.

I'm sorry that some of you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and I thank you for your support and understanding.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further and with information about future dates.

Mr T Iddon
Principal
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