



9th March 2023

Dear parents/carers,

As you will be aware, the NEU teaching union has declared further strike action, which will take place on the following dates:

- 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 15th and Thursday 16th March. 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 15th and Thursday 16th March, school will be open for pupils in year 11 only.

Vulnerable pupils in years 7, 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 years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will need to remain at home. For pupils not in school, we are not able to guarantee that we can 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 these days. However, CHS will make some general resources available on Epraise that all students can access, and, where possible, staff who are in school on the days will provide specific lessons for their pupils. These will be available at the start of the usually timetabled lesson.

To access this work, pupils in years 7, 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 | | | | | | |
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| 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 | | | |
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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 |
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| Geography Rainforests Memory Geogger | History Cold War: End of Topic Assessment |
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We will be asking staff to ensure they do not set work that requires printing.

Please note that buses will run as normal on these days 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. **Please do not pre-order a meal for your child on these days if they will not be in school.** There will be no co-curricular clubs available on these days.

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 with 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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