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STRIKE AFFECTING CLASS 9- Wednesday 15th March

Dear Parents and Carers

The next planned strike days by the National Education Union (one of the main teaching trade unions) are Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March 2023.

Your child's class will be affected on Wednesday 15th March and class will be open as normal on Thursday 16th March. Unfortunately, your child will not be able to attend school on Wednesday 15th March.

As previously explained, when a strike takes place those taking strike action stop work and withdraw their labour. This means that those teachers involved in the action will not teach their class, supervise or undertake any other duties on a strike day. Therefore teachers who are striking will not prepare or set work and colleagues cannot be compelled to do any of these duties for them. If you wish to set your own tasks for your child, learning activities can be found on Oak Academy- https://classroom.thenational.academy

Free School Meals
If your child is not able to attend school due to strike action and is eligible for Free School Meals, you will be contacted by the office to see if you wish to pick up a packed lunch for them on Wednesday 15th March.
Breakfast Club and After School Club
These remain open as normal. We recognise that this is an inconvenience but the provision is available if you usually use it on these days. Please drop your child off at the normal ASC hall exit doors.

Clearly this is a difficult situation, which is designed to cause disruption. We ask for your understanding. We can assume that it will raise some individual scenario queries, the school office is open at the normal times to discuss these.

A national strike by teachers is very unusual. Taking strike action is not something that any teacher would undertake lightly. Those on strike will have thought carefully about their decision, in the knowledge that they will lose pay for the days that they are on strike.

Thank you for your understanding.

Andrew Markham
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