

23rd January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: National Education Union - Industrial Action

Many thanks to all parents who have now completed the survey regarding their child, on Wednesday 1st February This has gone a long way in helping me with the planning for the day.

As previously communicated, the strike will impact Oak as there are a number of teachers planning to take strike action. As a result, I have made the difficult decision to partially close the school on **Wednesday 1st February**. This is to ensure all students on site can be kept safe and receive a quality of education.

I can confirm the following regarding this day.

Year 7 – Will attend school as normal wearing their Oak PE kit. Students will take part in a team building day as part of their ongoing Learning for Life curriculum. Events such of this are often planned during the academic year. We have therefore rescheduled this to coincide with this day, allowing students to remain onsite.

Year 8 – 10 – On this day students will be set remote learning to complete at home. Only students who are vulnerable, or whose parents are critical workers and have responded to the survey, will be able to attend. We will write to these parents separately with details of the day. If you are yet to complete the survey but believe you fall into one of these categories, then please complete by the end of Thursday 26th January https://forms.office.com/e/4aurJ64d3R. We will be unable to accommodate any students where the survey is completed after this day.

Year 11 – Will attend school and lessons as normal on this day.

Further details regarding remote learning will be sent out before the end of this week to ensure there is time to sort any technical issues ahead of the day.

We will also email a £3 voucher for a local supermarket to the parents of those students who are currently eligible for Free School Meals and who are not able to attend school on the day.

Please be reassured that if there needs to be a partial closure on the other planned strike days, I will be looking to rotate the year groups who will be onsite, to minimise the impact on education. To confirm the dates of these days are 2nd March, 15th March and 16th March.

I will write again soon with further information around remote learning.

As always many thanks for your support. If you have any questions please do not hestiate to contact me at hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk.

Yours Sincerely,

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