

30th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to update you regarding the NEU teachers' proposed strike action next week.

After reviewing the situation and consulting with colleagues I have decided that it will not be possible to open the school fully on Wednesday, 5th July 2023 and Friday, 7th July 2023.

As such, the school will be closed to Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 on that day. Details regarding work for these pupils will be shared in advance.

Once again, I am sorry for the difficulties this may cause you, but I cannot allow pupils in school without adequate levels of supervision.

As on the most recent strike day we have taken into consideration Year 7 are our youngest pupils and we have put plans in place to accommodate them.

Year 7 should attend at 10.00am and will finish at 3.00pm.

In addition to this, those Year 10 students involved in the GCSE Geography field trip and the Photography exam should attend school as planned.

Arrangements for the supervision of our most vulnerable pupils will be made accordingly.

Please note; if the union does call off the strike action, then the school will be open as normal. Our school web-site will provide details of any further updates or changes.

The operation of TFL buses on these dates (Wednesday, 5th July 2023 and Friday, 7th July 2023) is detailed below:

- Two 656 buses will leave from Tesco at Gallows Corner at 09:00 and 09:10 respectively and will arrive on site at approximately 09:50am.
- Two 650 buses will leave from Romford North Street bus garage at 09:00 and 09:10 respectively and will arrive on site at approximately 09:50am.

Details of Free School Meal provision will follow shortly.

Thank you in advance for your support in these difficult circumstances.

Yours sincerely,

Scott McGuinness Head Teacher