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## **PARTIAL SCHOOL CLOSURE ON THURSDAY 27 APRIL AND TUESDAY 2 MAY**

Dear Parent/Carer

You may be aware from media coverage that there is continued industrial action by workers in many different jobs which has been organised by trade unions. Members of the National Education Union (NEU) declared strike action over a number of days. The next strike action is scheduled for **THURSDAY 27 APRIL AND TUESDAY 2 MAY**. The strikes are happening in result of a national dispute between the union and the government over pay and funding, and not because of any issues at our school or Trust.

Unfortunately, we will have to ask students in Years 7 – 10 to learn from home on these days as we have insufficient staffing levels due to strike action. Work will be provided for their timetabled lessons via their planners, Google Classroom and Hegarty Maths. However, Years 11, 12 and 13 should attend school as normal on this day. This is not a decision we take lightly but the safety of our students is paramount.

We will contact all parents of children in receipt of free school meals with further detail of the provision of lunches on the strike days.

I understand that this situation may be frustrating and apologise for any disruption caused. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

*D Ritchie*

Mrs Ritchie  
Head of School