

Education Strike Day Update

28th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union has declared strike action, which will take place on:

Wednesday 1st February 2023,

Tuesday 28th February 2023,

Wednesday 15th March 2023 and

Thursday 16th March 2023.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over pay and conditions, and not because of any issues at our academy.

I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the above dates.

Attendance to School

Due to predicted staffing levels the academy will be partially open to some of our students namely:

Year 11 students.

It is compulsory for year 11 students to attend school, failure to attend will result in missed learning and an unauthorised absence. Please speak with your child to ensure they attend school, it is vital to be in school due to this being an examination year.

Some additional school places will also be provided to other students, if this affects you and your child(ren) we will make contact with you to make arrangements.

For those who are not attending school we will write to you separately to give details of work that will be set for the strike days. Work will be completed online using iPads, in preparation for this please can you ensure your child(ren) has access to their iPad. If you need support around this please contact the academy we will be happy to support. We will of course speak with students in the lead up to Wednesday so they are prepared to learn from home.

We will keep you up to date with arrangements for the subsequent proposed strike days in due course.

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Food Arrangements

Children who have access to free school meals, we will provide a collection service. Students and families will be able to collect a packed lunch from the academy via the main reception area.

For those in school a lunch service will still be provided.

I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and/or that they will experience disruption to their education.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please check the school website, read any correspondence we send out or contact the academy.

Kind regards,

Paul McEvoy

Principal, Oasis Academy Media City Uk