

1st March 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

Further to my letter last week, I am writing to confirm the arrangements for Thursday 2nd March 2023 which is the day of the proposed industrial action by members of the National Education Union (NEU). As I have written previously, the dispute is not directed against the school itself, but is part of national industrial action and schools are likely to be impacted to varying degrees depending on the make-up of union membership and the number of NEU members taking action.

Students in Years 7, 11, 12 and 13, and vulnerable students/students whose parents are critical workers

As I wrote last week, the school will be partially closed tomorrow and only students in Years 7, 11, 12 and 13, and those students whose parents are critical workers or who are vulnerable, and who completed the form in my previous letter, should attend school.

Students in Year 7 should arrive by 8.25am as usual and will follow the provisional timetable (click [here](#)). Students in Year 11 should arrive by 8.50am and will be registered in the atrium and follow the provisional timetable (click [here](#)). Students should bring the equipment and books required for these subjects on the day.

Students in Year 12 and 13 should attend for lessons, following the provisional timetable (Year 12 click [here](#), Year 13 click [here](#)); this will be confirmed on Thursday morning through Google Classroom. The Sixth Form study rooms will also be available and staffed throughout the day.

Please note that all students will follow the KS4/5 break/lunch timetable, ie. break will be 10.50-11.10am, and lunch 1.10-1.45pm. All students will be dismissed at 2.45pm.

Parents of students who are vulnerable/children of critical workers who completed the form I shared previously have been contacted directly about the arrangements for the day.

Students in Years 8-10

Students in Years 8-10 will need to remain at home on Thursday 2nd March 2023 and I am sorry about the potential disruption to you and your child.

All students in these year groups should study independently at home. Students should first check their Google Classroom for independent tasks and then use [this](#) document to support study in the relevant subject areas. Please note, those members of staff taking strike action will not be setting work, as advised by their union.

Parents/guardians of students in receipt of Free School Meals will receive a voucher for lunch that day via email.

Coming to a decision to restrict access to any year group is never easy. However, my main concern must be the health and safety of our students and our capacity to supervise them accordingly. I will, of course, be in touch regarding the additional planned strike days due to take place on 15th and 16th March 2023.



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Should parents/guardians have any questions, please contact the school via office@ruisliphigh.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G.D.", is positioned below the text "Yours sincerely".

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