



CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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25th January 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

Re: NEU Strike Action

We are writing to give advance notice of the arrangements for the 1st March 2023 in the relation to the plan strike action day.

1 March (East Midlands, West Midlands, Eastern)

Please note that this is subject to change at any point as directed by the union.

While the planned action is as a result of a national dispute between the unions and the government, and not specifically with Cardinal Newman Catholic School or Holy Cross Catholic MAC it is important that we respond accordingly in the interests of our pupils whilst respecting the rights of our staff. In anticipation of this action we have prepared a response plan to minimise disruption and ensure vulnerable pupils and the children of emergency workers, care workers and teachers are still able to attend school in person.

Pupils in Years 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 will be asked to study remotely during strike days study materials will be provided via students Classcharts or email accounts. With the exception of the following:

Year 12 students will be required to attend school for the following subjects

- BTEC Level 3 Science, Period 1, 2 and 3
- Financial Studies Period 1, 2 and 3

Year 13 students who are taking mock exams on that day should attend as below

- Chemistry - AM
- RE - AM
- Media - PM
- Physics - PM
- English Literature - PM

Pupils in Year 7 and 11 will be required to attend school at the usual time.

Children where both parents work in essential services, care workers and teachers may attend school where they will complete supervised study. Break and lunch times will operate with appropriate supervision in place in the normal way. If you require a place, please complete the following form <https://forms.office.com/e/rcktNDPvUw>



Any Free School Meal pupils who will not be on site on the day of the strike will be issued with a £3.00 voucher via the method used previously.

We appreciate that industrial action is disruptive and you may need to change your plans or working arrangements whilst this action is ongoing. We will of course continue to monitor the arrangements in place and make modifications where possible to improve support for pupils wherever possible. If the strike action is called off then we will confirm this as soon as we can and in this eventuality the school will be open as usual to all pupils.

The NEU has indicated that they will continue strike action for a further two days after this strike on the 15th and 16th March. Please make a note of these dates now and we will write to you in advance of each date to confirm arrangements and whether the strike is going ahead.

If you have any questions or concerns about the alternative arrangements outlined above, please contact the school at admin@cncs.school in the first instance. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



Ms E O'Connor
Headteacher



Mrs Theresa Boland
Chair of Governors