

## Queen Elizabeth II High School

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Dear Parent/Carer

I write to confirm that staff in the National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers (NASUWT) plan to strike on the following days:

- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

As with the previous strike days, we have had to plan for a worst-case scenario to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students at school, therefore, we have had to assume that staff who are part of this union may choose to strike. I write to inform you that we will only be able to accommodate some students in school on these two days, with the remainder of students learning from home. Arrangements made for both strike days are as follows:

- The Specialist Provision Centre will operate as normal;
- Year 12 & 13 students will attend school for their lessons and have the option to study from home during their R&R sessions;
- The **Sixth Form collaboration** lessons will continue as normal and if a teacher is absent in any of the collaboration schools, students will continue with independent study at the collaboration school, travel arrangements will not be affected;
- UCM courses will continue to run on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Transport will be provided as normal;
- Year 11 students will attend school for both days and should ensure that they bring what they need, to take part in lessons and revision sessions on both days. They will attend an assembly on the morning of Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, where staff will clarify the arrangements for their lessons and revision sessions;
- All other students will remain at home and will access learning via Google Classroom. The staff who are not striking will set work via Google Classroom for each day and be available on Google Meet or Google Mail during their timetabled lesson. Students must ensure that they are aware of their password for Google Classroom;
- Students learning from home, who receive Free School Meals (FSM), can collect a packed lunch from school at 11.00am on both strike days;
- A small number of vulnerable students may be invited into school, in order to facilitate their online learning;
- School buses are expected to run as normal.

If any students are unable to access an electronic device to continue with their lessons remotely, please contact <u>QE2enquiries@sch.im</u>

I am aware of the impact that this difficult decision may have on our families, however, the above arrangements are essential in order to keep our students safe, as we anticipate that a significant number of our staff will not be in school as a result of strike action. I would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding through these challenging times.

Yours faithfully

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Mrs C Clarke Headteacher