

Education Resources

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Dear Parent/Carer

Industrial Action – Local Government Trade Unions

I wish to let you know of the planned strike day by members of Unison, the largest local government trade union, on **Wednesday, 8 November 2023.**

Negotiations are continuing at a national level, but I would confirm that unless the strike is called off prior to this date all local authority nursery classes, special and primary establishments will be closed.

Secondary schools will be open **for S4-S6 pupils only**, however there will be no lunch provision on the day. Pupils may wish to bring a packed lunch. (The Council is making arrangements to help those families who are entitled to a free school meal. A free school meal payment of £2.50 per child will be made).

We will consider the implications of the strike action for young people in S4 to S6 who are reliant on individual or specialist support in relation to ASN, health or medical needs (including the administration of medicines) or wellbeing needs. Young people can only attend if it is safe for them to do so.

Please note:

- We will be closed for pupils in S1-S3 and therefore you are asked to make alternative arrangements for childcare for those pupils on Wednesday 8 November 2023.
- The school office may be affected and as such we may be unable to take phone calls on the day. Normal emergency contact measures will remain in place.
- Teachers will provide appropriate tasks/activities for pupils who are not in school either using digital platforms, traditional approaches, or a mixture of both.
- Breakfast clubs will not operate on the day of the strike.
- Mainstream transport arrangements will be in place for S4-S6 pupils as normal.

As it stands currently, it is highly likely that our school will be closed to all S1-S3 pupils on 8 November 2023. However, we will contact you again if anything changes.

Yours sincerely

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