



28th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have previously made you aware that there are planned NEU days of industrial action (strike) which follow on from the previous days of action on 27th April and 2nd May. There is further industrial action planned for the following dates:

- **Wednesday 5th July 2023**
- **Friday 7th July 2023**

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

We are getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the next proposed strike days on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. As communicated previously, the Sports Day will no longer be able to go ahead. There will be some alternative plans to celebrate sport towards the end of term.

We are able to make the following provision for students:

Wednesday 5th July 2023:

- **Years 10, 9, 8 and 7** will have remote learning set for them via their year group Google Classroom by Ms Tudor, Vice Principal. This work is based on lesson materials from the online resource Oak Academy covering material linked to their curriculum maps for the subject areas.
- **Our Year 6** cohort who are transitioning to Year 7 in September will be on site. This had been arranged prior to the announcement of industrial action.

Friday 7th July 2023:

- **Years 10, 9 and 8**
Remote learning will be set for them via their year group Google Classroom by Ms Tudor, Vice Principal. This work is based on lesson materials from the online resource Oak Academy covering material linked to their curriculum maps for the subject areas.
- **Year 7**
Students will be expected to come to school and will line up in their forms as usual. During the course of the morning, they will sit 3 of their Academy Exams (Maths, Science and ICT) and will have their lunch as usual. **They will be dismissed from school at 1.30pm.** If you need your child to stay until the end of the normal school day, **please email emily.tudor@stpauls.greenwich.sch.uk to request this arrangement by Tuesday 6th July at midday.**
- **School Production Rehearsals**
The planned rehearsal for the school production will go ahead as planned for students in Years 8 - 10. Mr Candy will be contacting families of those students who are involved.

On both days, for students offsite, where parents/carers are critical workers (whose work is critical to emergency response) and would not be able to make alternative arrangements, they can attend school where there will be a supervised classroom for them to complete the work set for their year group. This arrangement will also be provided for students who are vulnerable. **Please email emily.tudor@stpauls.greenwich.sch.uk to request this arrangement by Tuesday 6th July at midday.**



All students who are entitled to free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch to take home with them on Tuesday 4th July and Thursday 6th July (the days before the strike action).

We are sorry that some of you may have to make alternative arrangements for your child and/or experience disruption to their education. We understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect.

St Paul's Academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and delivering high-quality teaching. 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.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Ward', with a small flourish at the end.

Mrs S Ward
Principal