

PWS/DB

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BRAMHALL
HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers

Over the Easter Holidays the NEU confirmed the dates for their next industrial action regarding the teacher strikes being coordinated by the NEU. I am now able to confirm the school arrangements for Thursday 27th April.

As for the previous strike days a significant proportion of the teaching staff are members of the NEU, so there will not be enough staff on site to ensure the safety of all 1232 students. The decision has been made to close the school for the majority of students with **the exception of Year 11** and a small group of identified Y7 to 10 students. This group will be made up of students who attended the school on the previous strike days last term. These students will need to arrive in school at 8.40am and report to the Main School reception in full school uniform.

All Year 11 should attend school on the strike day in full school uniform. The timings of the day will be as normal and at the moment students will be expected to follow their timetabled lessons. This arrangement is subject to change and I would strongly encourage students attend with sufficient revision material just in case we have to offer sessions of independent study. Given the proximity to their final examinations it is important Year 11 are prepared to utilise as much of the time they have left within school.

Please note the GCSE Textiles practical exam will still take place on Thursday 27 April (Strike Day).

On Thursday 27th April all other year groups will be moving to remote learning for the day. To ensure a level of continuation and provision of work the following arrangements will be put into place.

Year 7 – 10 classes where the member of staff is not striking.

Students will be able to access pre-recorded MS streams of their normal lessons. These are videos of their lessons that only they can access via their school login details. These videos will be set on Class Charts along with work to complete and will provide enough rigour and challenge to last the hour session.

Year 7-10 classes where the member of staff is on strike.

A menu of suitable learning experiences will be offered to all students using the Oak Academy resources online. These will be sent to all students via Class Charts.

All online activities on the strike day will start at 9.15am to allow the school time to assess which members of staff are available. It is highly likely that staff who are not striking will put their work on Class Charts throughout the day as per their normal lesson time. Therefore, students should continue to check Class Charts at the start of each lesson period. Students should ensure they know both their school login and Class Charts login before they leave school on Wednesday 26th.

For students who are entitled to free school meals and are working at home we will be emailing vouchers home to parents the day before. For those students in school, lunches will be provided as normal.





I am sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child and for the disruption to their education. Please understand these arrangements are for Thursday 27th April **only** and I will write to you again before the next planned strike day which is Tuesday 2nd May.

I very much hope this situation can be swiftly resolved so we can continue to deliver high quality education and opportunities for our students. I am in regular contact with the Local Authority and union representatives and will keep you informed of any progress or change.

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Williams
Headteacher

