

27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

NEU Strike Action:

I wrote last week to inform you that teacher members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted to strike. The first strike in our region will be taking place next week on **Wednesday 1st February**. Other strike days are also planned for:

- Wednesday 1st March
- Wednesday 15th March – (CTS Holiday)
- Thursday 16th March – (CTS Holiday)

Arrangements for Wednesday 1st February 2023

As members of teaching staff who are taking part in the strike action are not required to let their school know in advance, it makes it difficult for us to judge the impact this action will have on our school. To support our children, and in line with Department for Education Guidance, we are doing our very best to keep our school open for as many children as possible. The plan for the day is as follows:

All students from the following year groups **should attend school as usual**:

- Year 7
- Year 10
- Year 11
- Year 12
- Year 13

Year 8 and 9 children deemed vulnerable according to the Department for Education's definition should also attend school. You will find the definition for those deemed vulnerable in Annex A (page 22) of the document [here](#). **We will contact each family/carer of children to whom this applies, to make sure they are aware and will be attending. We will inform you on Monday 30th January.**

Please note, as detailed by the Department for Education, all children who have been asked to attend school must do so regardless of parental choice or the closure of other classes in the school. We will therefore be coding attendance in the same way as normal for these students.

With the exception of those deemed vulnerable, students from the following year groups **should not attend school**:

- Year 8
- Year 9

Children in these year groups should access the remote learning set for them by their teachers. This will be provided in a booklet form to each child affected during tutor time on Tuesday 31st January. Additional copies will be available from reception should any child be absent from school on Tuesday or subsequently lose their copy.

The work provided will be for an equivalent amount of learning time as students would receive in school. There will be space within the booklet for them to complete the work, and this will be designed so that students are able to complete it independently.

Students entitled to Free School Meals in Year 8 and 9:

All children entitled to receive a free school meal will be able to collect a lunch parcel between 10.30am and 12.30pm on Wednesday 1st from school reception.

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding. I hope you can see we are trying our best to provide education for the day. If you have any further questions, please direct these to Mrs S Smith via enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mrs Reynolds', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Reynolds
Principal