

20th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU have scheduled further strike action, which will take place on **Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and school budgets, not because of any issues at our school.

I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the next strike days:

**On Wednesday 5th July**

**Year 10 (new year 11) in school.**

**Year 6 in school for their transition week.**

**Year 12 (new year 13) on work experience or in school supporting Year 6 transition.**

**Years 7, 8 and 9 (new year 8, 9 and 10) to remain at home and follow the remote learning work on Google Classroom.**

**On Friday 7th July**

**Year 9 (new year 10) in school.**

**Year 6 (new year 7) in school for their transition week.**

**Year 12 (new year 13) on work experience or in school supporting year 6 transition.**

**Year 7, 8 and 10 (new year 8, 9 and 11) to remain at home and follow the remote learning work on Google Classroom.**

We will invite any pupils deemed as vulnerable into school regardless of their year group. If you would like to nominate your child please contact Ms Murphy, SENCO. [lisa.murphy@swale.at](mailto:lisa.murphy@swale.at)

If your child usually receives a free school meal we will offer a collection of a packed lunch from the front reception at midday, please tell us in advance so these can be prepared and food is not wasted. Please use the form <https://forms.gle/a7BCtneA4h6zQLfNA> to do this.

We will not be offering OSL or after school clubs on these days.

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.

Yours sincerely



**Mrs A M Gibson**  
**Headteacher**