

Hebburn Comprehensive School

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Head Teacher: Mr D R Thompson

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to provide an update on the school's position regarding the NEU's planned industrial action on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July.

Hebburn Comprehensive will be closed to pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 on Wednesday 5th July and open to pupils in Year 10 for GCSE study. On Friday 7th July, we will be closed to all pupils as this is already a planned training day.

This is not a decision that has been taken lightly; however, as parents and carers are already aware, over half of our staff are members of the NEU. As previously communicated, we recognise and respect the right of our staff to take lawful industrial action and, again, I ask all members of our school community to continue to treat everyone with respect.

Pupils in Year 10 should report to their normal entry point for 8.40am, in full school uniform. Pupils will return home at **2.45pm**. If, for any reason, your child is unable to attend, you must notify the school following the normal absence procedures. Whilst some lessons may not run on the day, pupils will be able to catch up on work and use the time for personal study.

Whilst the school will be closed to the majority of pupils, we are able to offer a reduced hot meals service between **12.15pm and 12.45pm**. This will be in the form of a hot grab bag priced at £2.20. Pupils in receipt of free school meals will have this debited from their account. If your child is coming in for lunch, they must be in full school uniform. Pupils coming into school for lunch must remain on site for the duration of the lunch period, i.e., 30 minutes.

Mr Cleugh, Deputy Head Teacher, will send a separate email with details of the remote learning that pupils can access on the day.

I realise that the disruption may be frustrating for families, but I can assure you that everyone at the school remains absolutely committed to providing the highest standard of education for our pupils.

Thank you for your patience and understanding with this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mr D R Thompson











