

21 April 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Strike Action – School Provision – 27 April and 2 May 2023

Further industrial action is planned for 27 April and 2 May 2023 by teachers who are members of the National Education Union. Based on the numbers of staff who went on strike previously, we are unable to open fully to all students. Below outlines what we will be able to provide, taking into account our restricted capacity, and explains what all students should be doing on this day:

Year 11

Year 11 students will be invited in to attend subject specific 2 hour revision sessions to further prepare them for their GCSE exams. The sessions will run from 9:30 to 11:30 and 13:00 to 15:00. Invitations to sessions will be issued on Tuesday 25 April. It is possible that your child will not be invited in for full day/(s). When not in school to attend the sessions, students should undertake independent learning at home.

Students attending the sessions do not need to wear school uniform. They can choose to bring in a packed lunch or purchase a lunch at school. Snacks will be available at break time as usual.

Year 10

Year 10 students **must** attend school for their PPE's (mock exams). The timetable for the strike days is as follows:

27 April	Arrival time	End time	End time if extra time provided
English Language	8:45	10:00	10:15
Computer Science	13:00	14:45	15:08

2 May	Arrival time	End time	End time if extra time provided
Maths calculator paper	8:45	10:30	10:53
Music	13:00	14:30	-
Sport	13:00	14:15	-
PE	13:00	14:45	-

Please note that Year 10 students attending school for the PPE's must wear school uniform. Students will be allowed to leave at the end of their exam unless we are notified via meroffice@maidenerleghtrust.org.

Years 7-9

Unless your child qualifies for a space at our pop-up provision (see below), students in years 7 to 9 will be asked to stay at home. Suggested resources for independent study will follow in a separate email.

Any child eligible to free school meals who has been asked to stay at home will be able to collect a packed lunches at the end of the day on Wednesday 26 April. We will only provide a packed lunch if this is pre-ordered using the form [here](#) and this can be collected from main reception at 3:10pm. Arrangements for 2 May are still being determined, however please use the same form to indicate if you would like a lunch to be provided for that day and we will get back to you to confirm.

Please use the same form if your child does not have access to IT at home and you would like to request the use of a chrome book for the strike days to access independent study resources. Once confirmed, chrome books will be available for collection from main reception at 3:10pm on Wednesday 26 April and must be returned to main reception on Wednesday 3 May.

Pop-up provision

A pop-up provision will be provided for our vulnerable students and the children of *some* critical workers.

If you feel that your child may be eligible for a space at the pop-up provision **and** you intend to send your child to school on 27 April and/or 2 May, please refer to the form [here](#) for further guidance and to request a space. We will be unable to accept students on the day if they have not been pre-registered and if confirmation of your child's space has not been received.

On the strike days, these students are not required to wear school uniform and should enter through the main reception for 8:30am. Students will be taken to a computer room and will be supervised while completing independent study from a list of suggested resources. Students attending the pop-up provision will be able to bring in a packed lunch or will be able to purchase a lunch from the canteen. Normal free school meal eligibility will apply.

Thank you, again, for your patience and understanding in this matter. **Please note that all requests for packed lunches, spaces in the pop-up provision and the loan of a chrome book must be received by midday on Tuesday 25 April.**

Yours sincerely



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