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Dear Parent/Guardian

Strike Action - School Provision - 5, 7 July 2023

Further industrial action is planned for 5 and 7 July 2023. 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 10

Year 10 students will be invited in to attend subject specific sessions and will be selected on the basis of their recent PPE results. The sessions will run from 9:30 to 11:30 and 13:00 to 15:00. Invitations to sessions will be issued on Tuesday 4 July 2023. 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.

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 and to undertake independent learning.

Any child eligible to free school meals who has been asked to stay at home will be able to collect a packed lunch at the end of the day on Tuesday 4 July and/or Thursday 6 July. 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.

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 Tuesday 4 July and must be returned to main reception by 8:40am on Monday 10 July.

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 5 July and/or 7 July, 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 Monday 3 July.

Yours sincerely

Mr W Graham Headteacher

Maiden Erlegh School in Reading