The Heys School

20th April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

The NEU have declared their intention to strike on **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May**.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and not because of any issues at our school or within our Trust. A large proportion of teaching staff at The Heys School are members of the NEU and are therefore exercising their right to strike. In some schools, the staff are members of a different teaching union which has not voted for strike action. Because of this, the situation varies from school to school and comparisons cannot be drawn.

- The Heys School will be **closed** to students in **Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May**. These students will be provided with work to complete for Maths, English, and Science. Your child will be able to access the work through the home page of our website www.theheys.school If your child is entitled to a free school meal, this continues during school closure, in accordance with DfE guidance. Our catering services will prepare a packed lunch for your child which can be collected from school between 1.15pm and 2pm on **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May**. If you would like a packed lunch prepared for your child, please email school at office@theheys.school by 1pm on **Wednesday 26th April** confirming this. If you do not inform school by email, lunch will not be made available for your child.

- The Heys School will be **open** to students in **Year 11** on **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May** Students in Year 11 **must** attend as normal. Your child should bring any revision guides they have, and they will attend important lessons to prepare them for their upcoming GCSE exams. Lunch will be served as normal.

I am sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education. Thank you for your continued support during this national strike action.

Yours faithfully,

Mr P McKendrick

Headteacher

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