

# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School "Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## RE: Partial School Closure on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July

As you will be aware, further days of industrial action were published recently by the NEU, set to take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

Firstly, the Year 6 Transition Day and Evening will go ahead as planned on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Our plans for both days remain similar to what we have done before, with details as follows:

- Year 10 lessons will be taught as normal on both days students should attend.
- Year 12 are to support Year 6 Transition on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July OR choose to home study.
- Year 12 lessons will be taught as normal on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> students should attend.
- Students in Years 7-9 are to work from home on both days.
- On this occasion only, we are unable to deliver live lessons.
- Students in Years 7-9 will complete lessons from the Oak National Academy.
- Details and links to access this work will be posted to students in MS Teams.
- You can also access this work by using this link: 73D2F692C8E7E2526F88E6AB90B84924.pdf (wadhamschool.co.uk)
- Students unable to complete online learning from home can collect a pack of written work from the Pastoral Hub from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. This will cover both days of strike action.
- Vulnerable students and children of critical workers attending on-site learning will be supported to complete online learning, as if they were working from home.

A reminder of who should attend on-site learning:

- Year 10 students
- Year 12 students
- Vulnerable students (parental choice, as per guidelines in my previous letter)
- Children of Critical Workers (parental choice, as per guidelines in my previous letter)

If you feel that you child is eligible to attend because they belong to one of the 2 key groups (Vulnerable or Children of Critical Workers) please complete this survey <a href="here">here</a> to let me know whether they will be attending. <a href="Deadline for completion is 9.00am Monday 3rd">Deadline for completion is 9.00am Monday 3rd</a> July

All other students (Years 7-9) should remain at home on these days.

## Arrangements for Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July

All school transport is running as normal for students that would usually use it.

## Year 10

- Normal lessons (their existing timetable) will continue as planned.
- Students must wear school uniform and bring PE kit if required.
- The Food Hall remains open as usual at break and lunch.





#### Year 12

- Year 12 will support Transition Day on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.
- Normal lessons (their existing timetable) will continue as planned on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.
- The Food Hall remains open as usual at break and lunch.

## **Vulnerable Students and Children of Critical Workers**

- Parents intending to send their child in must complete the survey, **linked above.**
- Lessons are the same as those set for Years 7-9, not able to attend on the day.
- Students will be supported to complete the work set.
- The Food Hall remains open as usual at break and lunch.

#### Students in Years 7-9

- Students in Years 7-9 will be working from home for both days.
- On this occasion only, work will be set using lessons from the Oak National Academy.
- Details and links to access this work will be posted to students in MS Teams.
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## Q: What should I do if my child cannot access MS TEAMS / The Internet?

We will provide a pack of written work for students to complete. Packs can be collected at breaktime and lunchtime from the Pastoral Hub, from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Work supplied can be completed over both days of strike action.

It is the student's responsibility (prompted/supported by parents) to make sure they have collected written work ahead of the strike days, if it is needed.

We will ask students to sign for work collected, enabling us to monitor students accessing learning in this way.

Full consideration has been given to the level of staff absence we are likely to experience, and pending any further unforeseen circumstances, we will have adequate staff onsite and in-post during the day to ensure the safety and well-being of those attending.

If for any reason this should change on the day, then I and the senior team will conduct a risk assessment and may need to make changes to the planned onsite curriculum to ensure we are still able to maintain a quality of education, without comprising on safety.

It is important to explain again that industrial action is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions of employment, and not because of any issues specifically relating to our school, and the staff at Wadham School remain grateful to you – our parents and carers, as we work together to minimise the impact of disruption caused.

Do not hesitate in contacting me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas Headteacher