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Dear Parents and Carers,

The NEU (a Teaching Union) have declared strike action on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. 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.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the above dates:

## Years 7, 8 & 9

Unless students from Years 7, 8 & 9 are invited to come into school as part of the vulnerable cohort they should stay at home for both of the strike days.

#### Year 10

Wednesday 5th July - All of Year 10 (including Nexus at main site) are to attend school as normal; they will have their normal timetabled lessons as much as possible. There will also be an opportunity to catch up on Coursework in some key subjects.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July - All of Year 10 (including Nexus at main site) are to attend school as normal;

they will have a special introduction to Y11 day. This will include Martijn Van Der Spool, a psychologist who will spend half a day teaching students effective memory and revision techniques. Martjin has worked with our students in the past – they have always found the workshops very enjoyable and helpful. Students will also spend time looking at materials to prepare for the start of Y11 in September. This promises to be an excellent day and it is really important that they do not miss this day!

# Year 12

Lessons will run as normal if the teacher is in school as not all teaching unions are involved in the strike action. The table below shows which

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Students in **Years 7, 8 & 9** – stay at home

# Year 10 - In school on both days

Normal lessons will take place alongside a preparation for Year 11 day

**Year 12 students** - Attend for lessons that are taking place.

### Free school meals

£5 will be given for each child (not Year 10).

**Vulnerable students** will be sent a message about some coming in to school









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lessons are running on each strike day. It is expected that all students attend these timetabled lessons.

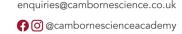
- Where a student does not have a lesson or has a gap between lessons then they should complete independent work either at home or in the study room. Students should complete work from either their Crunchie Pack or utilise the time to using Up Learn. If students do not have a quiet study space at home then supervised study will be open between 8.30 4.00 on each strike day.
- Lessons will follow the normal timetable. Lessons normally scheduled at CSMS will take place at CSIA main site. When students arrive on site they should register in the VI Form Centre.
- VI Form Team progression day has been moved from Friday 7th July to Thursday 6th July. Please book or amend you appointments via school cloud https://csia.schoolcloud.co.uk
- Year 12 Lessons scheduled to run on Wednesday 5th July:

Lesson	Class Code	Subject
1	12C/MN1	Maths (CSMS)
2	12C/Mn1	Maths (CSMS)
2	12C/Gg1	Geography
3	12A/Dp1	Double Sport
4	12E/Bn1	Biology (CSMS)
4	12E/C1	Chemistry
4	12E/It1	IT
4	12E/Mf1	Further Maths

Year 12 Lessons scheduled to run on Friday 7th July:

Lesson	Class Code	Subject
1&2	12E/C1	Chemistry
1 & 2	12E/It1	IT
1&2	12E/Mf1	Further Maths
3	12B/Ds1	Single Sport
3	12B/Cn1	Chemistry (CSMS)
4	12A/Dp1	Double Sport
4	12A/Mn1	Maths (CSMS)













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## Vulnerable children

We will invite some students to attend school for the day and you will receive a message if we think your child should come to school.

# Students staying at home:

Students who are not in school will be provided with activities to do online but these are optional. This will not be their normal lessons.

# Other arrangements

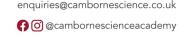
- On both days the canteen will be open at break and lunchtime for students who are in school to buy food or to have their free school meal.
- Parents of students who have a **free school meal** (except Y10 as they will be in school) will get £5 for each child. This will be given to your child to bring home in the last week of term in the form of a voucher to cover both strike days. If you would rather come into school to collect your voucher please let us know by 4th July.
- We will not be running after school clubs / Co-Curricular activities on both days, so the school day will end at 2.45pm for all students.
- School buses will run as normal.

I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and they will experience disruption to their education.

I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. CSIA remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please contact reception who will pass the message on to the year teams.











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Kind regards

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