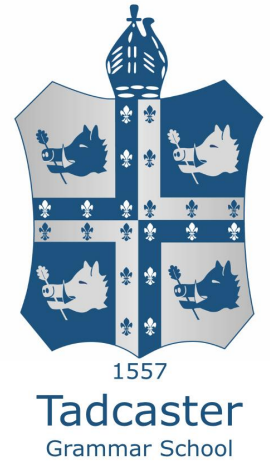


Be Your Best Self

Friday 21st April 2023



Dear parents, carers and students,

Strike action by members of the National Education Union (NEU)

Further to my message to you earlier this week, you will be aware that the National Education Union has confirmed that it now plans to take two more days of strike action in schools on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May 2023. This will have a significant effect on Tadcaster Grammar School in relation to our ability to open the school safely and provide continuity of education for our students. I am writing to give final details about the arrangements for the two days.

As per government guidance, we will prioritise face-to-face education for those students taking public examinations starting next month. External examination activities, for Year 11 GCSE German and Year 11 GCSE Art, will also take place as planned in school. In addition, we have organised an additional Year 11 mock assessment in English Literature on Thursday 27th April to further enhance the preparation for final examinations. For these reasons, **full student attendance in Year 11 is of the utmost importance**. We will also provide supervision on-site for those students who we know will be the most vulnerable during the two strike days.

Please be advised that members of the NEU have the right to establish a picket line outside the school, but cannot prevent or hinder people from crossing this. To date, I have had no indication whether this will take place at school. Please be assured that parents' and students' entrance to and exit from school will be unhindered by striking members of the NEU if they choose to exercise their right to picket outside school.

In addition, please remember that all schools will be closed on Monday 8th May 2023 for the Royal Coronation.

Thank you again for your understanding and forbearance.

Kind regards,

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THURSDAY 27th APRIL 2023

<p>Year 7 - *10* inclusive</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School closed. ● Please see page 4 for details of the learning activities Year 7-10 can complete at home. ● Please check all your Google Classrooms for work which may have been set by your normal teachers prior to/on Thursday 27th April 2023.
<p>Year *10* Business BTEC (Enterprise) students <u>only</u></p> <p>16 students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10ABb1 students are currently completing work for a BTEC Business assessment which will count towards their final grade. As a consequence of staff absence, they have missed some course content, and they have been invited into school to complete this work (attendance mandatory). ● Non-uniform (non-contributory).
<p>Year 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School is open. ● Non-uniform day, including those students involved in external examination activities [Year 11 GCSE German and Year 11 GCSE Art] (non-contributory) - no PE on this day. ● Students bring all the equipment they require for their lessons along with [fully-charged] Chromebooks. ● At 08.35am, students go to form rooms for registration as normal. ● Students attend normal lessons periods 2, 3 and 4. ● b half students: Period 5 English Literature mock assessment in place of PE; Period 6 normal lessons. ● e half students: Period 5 normal lessons; Period 6 English Literature mock assessment in place of PE. ● Year 11 GCSE German Speaking exam (students involved will be informed of times by their German teacher and priority will be given to this above the English Assessment). ● School buses will run as normal. ● School catering as normal.
<p>Year 12 & 13</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School is open. ● At 08.35, students go to S1 for registration. Tutors will then accompany students to the Main Hall for a presentation by the Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service. Students will then return to period 2 approx 9.45am. ● School buses will run as normal. ● School catering as normal. ● Most consortium lessons at Sherburn High School should take place.

The families of students in Year 7 - 10 who we are aware are most vulnerable on these days will be contacted individually to discuss arrangements.

TUESDAY 2nd MAY 2023

<p>Year 7 - 10 inclusive</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School closed. ● Please see page 4 for details of the learning activities Year 7-10 can complete at home. ● Please check all your Google Classrooms for work which may have been set by your normal teachers prior to/on Tuesday 2nd May 2023.
<p>Year 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School is open. ● Non-uniform day (non-contributory). ● Students bring all the equipment they require for their lessons along with [fully-charged] Chromebooks. ● At 08.35am, students go to form rooms for registration as normal. ● Year 11 GCSE German Speaking exam (students involved will be informed of times by their German teacher). ● Year 11 GCSE Art Exam - Period 5 and 6. ● School buses will run as normal. ● School catering as normal.
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Details of the learning activities for Year 7-10

Please repeatedly check all your Google Classrooms for work which may have been set by your normal teachers.

In addition:

Mathematics

Students can complete any of the exercises from [Hegarty Maths](#) or [Sparx Maths](#). It would be useful to recap any topics they are currently studying in Phase **3**.

Information about the topics they are currently studying can be found on the Maths@TGS website linked [here](#).

Science

Students can recap topics they are currently studying or extend their learning into new topics. The Oak Learning Academy lessons are excellent resources for doing this (linked [here](#)).

Lessons for **Art, History, Geography and English (Yr10)** are also available from Oak Academy using the same website link.

English

Students can read their private reading book. Any students who wish to choose or renew their reading book are invited to go to the ILC during breaks or lunchtimes to choose one.

Year 10 students may wish to re-read 'An Inspector Calls' (see also BBC Bitesize revision for this [text](#)), or 'Macbeth' (see also BBC Bitesize Revision for this [text](#)).

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<i>1st 20-minute break</i>	<i>My reward:</i>	
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<i>2nd 20-minute break</i>	<i>My reward:</i>	
3rd 40-minute block of work		
<i>3rd 20-minute break</i>	<i>My reward:</i>	
4th 40-minute block of work		
<i>4th 20-minute break</i>	<i>My reward:</i>	
5th 40-minute block of work		

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