

Dear Parent/Carer

We have previously written to you to share the dates of planned strike action by the NEU (National Education Union). We understand that you will welcome as much advance notice as possible of our plans, so I am writing to update you on arrangements for the second-strike day; Wednesday 1st March.

There are a significant number of our staff who are members of the NEU and members are not obliged to tell us whether they intend to take strike action.

Below is our intended plan for Wednesday 1st March:

- Ken Stimpson Community School is closed to all students in Years 7-11;
- Work will be provided (see more detail below);
- We will be open to all students in Post 16;
- We will be inviting certain students who we know are more vulnerable, or who require specialist support, to attend school. Our SEND Team will contact you directly to invite them in should that be the case. Please do not call the school to request a place.
- For the students who are in school the school canteen will run as normal.

Learning for students

- On the day of the strike, the timings of the school day remain the same with lesson 1 beginning at 8.45am.
- Work will be provided via Microsoft Teams / Class Charts.
- Lessons will not be live, but teachers will be online to support any queries in relation to the set work.
- Throughout the day students should study the subject that they would normally be doing if they were in school, with the exception of tutor time which can be an extended break for them.
- All staff not participating in industrial action will be in school and available online to support their students during their timetabled lessons.
- If your child has a lesson with a teacher who is participating in the strike, work can be accessed via this link <https://www.kscs.org.uk/homework> which will enable independent study throughout the day.

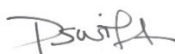
As we send out this communication, in an effort to give you as much notification as possible, it has been announced that if additional meetings and negotiations between the Government and Unions make progress over the weekend then strike action may be 'paused'. Therefore, should there be any changes to the detail above I will update you as soon as possible.

A reminder that if the negotiations are unsuccessful the other scheduled strike dates are:

- Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

We will review our arrangements prior to each of these dates and communicate plans to you in advance.

With regret



Paul Swift

Vice Principal