



Guru Nanak Sikh Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parent

RE: Strike Action Information

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU Teaching Union have declared strike action, which will take place in the London region on Wednesday 1st February, Thursday 2nd March, Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over pay and not because of any issues at our schools. Whilst I understand and sympathise with the reasons behind the action being taken, we are making every effort where possible to ensure continuity of education for our pupils at this time.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for each phase/year group for **Wednesday 1st February**, which are outlined below.

Nanaksar Primary – all children attend school as normal. The school will be open.

Guru Nanak Sikh Academy Primary Phase - partial closure. Please see below for classes that will be closed and these pupils will remain at home:

Year 4 Pankhurst

Year 6 Da Vinci

Year 6 Shakespeare

Pupils will be set short online learning tasks via Google Classroom to be completed on the day. Please contact the Primary school office if your son/daughter is entitled to Free School Meals and you will be collecting a packed lunch.

Guru Nanak Sikh Academy Secondary Phase – partial closure. Following the Department for Education guidance, we will prioritise examination classes. Please see the details below:

Year 13 – school will remain open. Students are to attend lessons as normal and remain in Private Study at other times.

Year 12 – school will be closed. Students remain at home all day to revise for their Mock Exams which take place the following week.

Year 11 - school will remain open. Students will attend as normal. The mock exams will go ahead as calendared. Students will attend their timetabled lessons when not in an examination.

Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 – school will be closed. Students will remain at home. Work will be uploaded to Google Classroom for the lessons for that day. Students will be expected to complete the work set.

If your son/daughter is in Year 7, 8, 9, or 10 and has an EHCP, please contact the school if you would like them to attend as normal and we will make the necessary arrangements to accommodate this.

If your son/daughter is in Year 7, 8, 9, or 10 and is entitled to Free School Meals, they may collect a packed lunch for Wednesday from the canteen at 2:50pm on Tuesday 31st January.

I am sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and/or that 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. Our Multi Academy Trust (MAT) remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

These arrangements will be in effect for **Wednesday 1st February** only. We will send further letters with updated arrangements prior to the other planned strike days. 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 the school at either admin@gnsa.co.uk or admin@nanaksarprimary.co.uk.

Yours faithfully



Mr J S Sidhu
Executive Principal