

21 June 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

RE: Planned Industrial Action – Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July 2023

I am writing to you today as the National Education Union (NEU) has outlined its plans to undertake a further two days of industrial action on Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July 2023. As a reminder Tuesday 4 July 2023, is a planned CPD day within the academy calendar so students will not be in school on this day.

As an ever-changing situation, I have reviewed the information that I have available and have reached the decision that we will not, unfortunately, be able to open safely to all students on either Wednesday 5 July or Friday 7 July 2023. As a result, I wanted to provide you with sufficient notice of what this may mean for your child's education on these dates. On both Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July 2023, all year 10 students should attend school as normal please.

Students in years 7, 8, and 9 should remain at home and engage with remote learning resource, which we will make available to them through a link provided via text message and social media. The work provided will allow students to complete project work that is being launched in form time and assemblies next week. Students will be provided with a reminder of how to access resources during form time and on social media in the coming days. Where your child does not have access to a device, please contact the academy to discuss the support that we can offer by Wednesday 28 June 2023.

Students in year 10 should attend school at the normal time on both Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July 2023, with their full equipment and books. Students will be required to wear their school uniform and bring their PE kit if this is on their usual timetable. Mock examinations will be running for the year 10 cohort as usual on both of the strike days. We would also like to inform parents that the year 10 Geography trip that is scheduled to run on this date will still be taking place.

Students Classified as Vulnerable

The Government has provided information to schools of which groups of students it should consider to be vulnerable. Should your child fall into any of these categories, we will contact you separately to let you know the educational arrangements for your child.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and you would like to request that a food parcel is provided to cover lunch on these two days, please contact us to let us know. Food parcels will be available to collect by your child from outside Student Services, after 3pm on Monday 3 July and Thursday 6 July 2023. Requests for food parcels should be sent via email to info@farnley.leeds.sch.uk by Friday 30 June 2023.

Should you have any individual concerns regarding the contents of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the academy via email at info@farnley.leeds.sch.uk

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and understanding regarding this matter.

Yours faithfully



Mr C Stokes
Principal