



21st April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, the National Education Union (NEU) have strikes planned on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May 2023; I am expecting a large number of teaching staff at KNGS to be striking.

The union's dispute is with the Secretary of State, not our school. This is because "she has failed to give the undertaking sought by the NEU to make available additional and sufficient funds to allow employers to pay a fully funded increase in teachers' pay at a rate greater than inflation".

The arrangements for both days are outlined below. Should strike action be withdrawn, I will let you know and school will run as normal.

Students with timetabled exams:

Thursday 27th April

- Y12 Exams: Scheduled exams will take place as planned.
- Y11 GCSE Spanish Foundation Speaking Assessments will take place as scheduled. Please arrive at school 5 minutes before scheduled preparation time, entering school via the main reception.

Tuesday 2nd May

- Y10 Exams: Scheduled exams to take place as planned. Please enter the school via the pedestrian path as normal and make your way straight to the drama studio (not to form rooms), after dropping bags/coats into lockers.
P1 & 2: Maths Exam – All students must attend. Students for whom this is their only exam of the day, after the exam has finished they must sign out and leave the school site immediately via reception.
P3 & 4: Sociology Exam - Food will be available for students who are staying for break. Students must stay in the canteen for supervision purposes. For students who do not take Spanish or German, they must sign out and leave the school site as soon as the Sociology exam is completed via reception.
P5: Spanish & German Exam – Students who don't have a Sociology exam must go to the Learning Hub for silent independent revision during Period 3 and 4. Lunch will be available for those who indicate that they require one.
- **Y11 GCSE French Speaking Assessments** will take place as scheduled. Please arrive 5 minutes before scheduled preparation time.

Please note, uniform should be worn for all exams and assessments.

With the exception of the timetabled exams above the following arrangements are in place:

Year 11 – Thursday 27th April

- Students will attend school for all lessons except for Period 5.
- Students will enter the school via the pedestrian entrance between 8:35 and 8:45 and go straight to period 1 (as if it were a Thursday).
- Students will leave school at the end of Period 4 (1:20pm)



Year 11 – Tuesday 2nd May

Currently Year 11 will not attend school and should follow the arrangements below. We will inform you if this changes.

Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 (Year 11 2nd May only)

- **Students should not attend school**
- Learning will be set remotely for all students in years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 for the lessons where the teacher is not striking:
 - Work will be emailed to students by their class teacher.
 - Work will also be saved in the following folder on student share [P:\Remote Learning 2022-23](#)
 - Where work is not able to be set because staff are striking, students should use this time to review and revise prior learning.

Years 12 and 13

- Students will attend school for all lessons.
- Students will enter the school via the pedestrian entrance between 8:35 and 8:45 and go straight to period 1 (as if it were a Thursday).
- Students will be taught for lessons where the staff member is in school.
- Students are free to either study in school or return home, signing out as normal, if their class teacher is striking.

Disadvantaged, Free School Meals and Bursary students

If your child is in receipt of pupil premium funding and you need them to work in school on either day, **please complete the Microsoft Form below or phone school on 0121 675 1305 by 3.00pm on Monday 24th April to request this provision.**

Free School Meals

The school canteen will be open from 1:20 pm until 2:05 pm for students in receipt of Free school meals and for 6th form bursary students. **If your child is wishing to attend school for their lunch please complete the Microsoft Form below, or phone school on 0121 675 1305 by 3pm on Monday 24th April to request this provision**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=6NoSaA9nYUGP0nCJ4fq3vsuuVsm2aohPqd uZyIBamYIUMUFGUTdIS0NVVIBBRVZLNFI3WU9DV0daRS4u>

Key worker children

We have very little staffing capacity on both days. If it is not possible for your child to remain at home or you are unable to find alternative care for them, **please complete the Microsoft Form below, or ring the school by 3pm on Monday 24th April to request this provision.** Where the child lives with two adults, both must be key workers to access this provision.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=6NoSaA9nYUGP0nCJ4fq3vsuuVsm2aohPqd uZyIBamYIUNVg4WUIMQjZBOFpORIFURTZNMEhMWEQ1Vy4u>

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

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