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CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

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Dear Parent/Carer

Teachers' Strike –Thursday 2nd March 2023

The second (of four) planned strike days for teacher members of the National Education union (NEU) is scheduled for Thursday 2nd March.

I am writing to confirm that the provisional arrangements I shared at the end of last term will be put in place for this Thursday. This means that Chosen Hill School will be open as usual for Year 11, 12 and Year 13 only on this date but *closed to all other students*.

As with the first strike day we are also making provision for a small group of vulnerable students to come into school. We will make contact directly with these students and their parents/carers today/tomorrow. Students in Y7-10 will be set work on ClassCharts or via the Remote Learning page of the school website (updated on Thursday morning).

Students in Years 11,12 and 13 should arrive at school at the normal time (8.25am roll call). Year 11 students will be continuing with their mock exams (Maths and Physics) and will follow their normal lesson period 5. Students in Years 12 and 13 will follow their normal lessons or independent study. Normal bus routes will be running and the canteen will be open (though with a reduced range.)

My key consideration in closing the school is always based on the extent to which safe levels of supervision can be maintained throughout the school day. Given the potential number of staff on strike and that they are not obliged to share their intention to strike, I am only able to guarantee the safe supervision of three year groups. At this point, Year 11, 12 and 13 students are our priority in terms of their preparation for examinations this summer.

I want to confirm the partial opening as soon as possible to give working parents the best chance possible for making alternative arrangements for childcare for students in Years 7 – 10 on Thursday 2nd March.

Should you wish to find out more about why the NEU is taking this action, you can read their press release here: <https://neu.org.uk/press-releases/neu-take-strike-action-over-pay>

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

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