



25th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Closure due to Strike Action on 1st February 2023

The National Education Union [NEU] has announced a series of strike days across the UK, the first of which is taking place on Wednesday 1st February.

At St Clement's High School more than seventy percent of our teachers are NEU member. As teachers in other unions cannot be asked to cover the lessons of striking colleagues it will not be possible to open the school safely on the 1st February. **The school will be closed to all students on this day.**

Students should work online at home. Those teachers not striking will provide online lessons through our Google Classroom platform as they did during the pandemic. The law does not require workers to declare their individual intention to strike so it will not be possible to tell students which lessons will be available online in advance.

Students should follow their usual school timetable and check into the Google Classroom each period to see whether a lesson is being provided. In the event that a lesson is not provided then students should use alternative online resources such as Oak National Academy.

We understand that some families may be concerned about their child missing their free school meal on this day. If this is the case please contact us and we will be pleased to support you.

We are fortunate to have a team of highly committed teachers at St Clement's and those that have chosen to take strike action will have done so only after serious consideration of the national issues.

This is a national strike and so further details of the reasons for this action can be found on the NEU website, however please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding the impact on our school.

Yours sincerely,



Mr N. K. Willingham
Headteacher