

26 April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Further to our letter last Friday, a reminder of the arrangements for tomorrow.

In light of the strike action planned on 27 April and 2 May, it will not be safe to open the school to all year groups.

- **CLOSED for Years 7,8,9,10,12 on both days - see details below for our small on site provision**
- **OPEN for Year 11 and Year 13**
 - **GCSE Year 11 Art exam - 27 April - 9:00 start**
 - **Students to wear full uniform**
 - **Food will be available for purchase in the canteen**
 - **Buses will run as normal on both days**
 - **Students in school will predominantly be working on Chromebooks completing revision materials posted on Google Classroom. Where a classroom teacher is present, the class will take place in the normal classroom**

We will be able to operate a small on-site provision for a small group of students including those with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP) to ensure that they receive statutory daily provision in line with their plans. This will be staffed by non-teaching colleagues who are exempt from any restrictions. Families will be contacted separately to advise of this provision. Where possible we will endeavour to support NHS staff and other emergency services professionals who require a place due to professional commitments. Please contact the school if this might include you.

Thursday 27 April
[Years 7-10](#)
[Years 12](#)

Tuesday 2 May
[Years 7-10](#)
[Year 12](#)

Free school meals: vouchers will be provided to all families entitled to free school meals.

Peripatetic music lessons: these lessons will be rescheduled for students.

Student attendance: strike days where students are not required to attend will not count towards student attendance percentages.

We appreciate there is likely to be significant disruption for families as a result of this planned action and we thank you in advance for your continued patience, respect and understanding, in the knowledge that all staff at St Katherine's remain fully committed to supporting our students.

Yours sincerely





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