



# SKEGNESS ACADEMY

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10 March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, the National Education Union (NEU) have confirmed that its members will be striking over pay on two more days this month. I am writing to reassure you about what this means and how it will impact your child.

Currently, strikes that will impact our academy are scheduled to take place on the below dates:

- Wednesday 15 March (whole country strike)
- Thursday 16 March (whole country strike)

Striking is the right of every teacher who is part of a union and is a personal choice which we respect as an academy and Trust. As the academy's Principal, the safety and wellbeing of our students is my top priority. As we have a high proportion of academy staff who are members of the NEU, there will not be enough staff for us to safely welcome all students on site, making it challenging for us to keep the academy fully open on strike days.

As a consequence, for the next day of industrial action next Wednesday, the academy will only be open for the groups below:

### **Wednesday 15 March 2023 8.45 - 12.30**

- Year 13 - English NEA and Geography NEA
- Year 11 - Sport (full cohort)
- Year 10 - Voc subjects PA, Dance, Music, IT, Textiles

### **Thursday 16 March 2023 8.45 - 12.30**

- Year 13 - Applied Science
- Year 11 - Vocational Subjects Performing Arts, Dance, Music, IT, Textiles, Health and Social Care
- Year 11 Selected students for NEA Food Preparation & Nutrition. Students and parents will be contacted individually.

### **Thursday 16 March 2023 1.00 pm – 3.10 pm**

- Year 10 – Mr Maycock will contact selected Sport students
- Students who are classed as vulnerable
- Students whose parents are classed as critical workers and wish their child to attend should complete the following form by [clicking here](#). The form will close at 4.00 pm on Monday 13 March 2023.

***The above arrangements will be confirmed in a further letter which will be sent to parents on Monday 13 March 2023***

Sadly, on this occasion, **we will be closed to anyone who does not receive a direct invitation to attend.**

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I am sorry that this is the case, but I am sure you understand that the industrial action relates to important education funding issues nationally – rather than anything at a school or local level.

We will continue to communicate with you and keep you updated on the arrangements or any changes to the planned strike action.

Early next week, I will also send out details of online resources your children should complete at home when they are unable to attend school.

Finally, I want to thank you for being so supportive as part of the school community in what continues to be a challenging period. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on [admin@skegnessacademy.org](mailto:admin@skegnessacademy.org)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Johnson', enclosed in a light grey rectangular box.

Mr Todd Johnson  
**Senior Executive Principal**

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