



Dear parents/carers

Industrial Action by the National Education Union (NEU) – Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023

I am now in a position to share how Royds Hall will operate on the third and fourth dates of industrial action. We have worked with our colleagues and have identified that we are able to open school to two year groups, on each day, this is in addition to the children of critical workers and vulnerable students from any year group.

Overview of the information for Wednesday 15th March

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- We will be asking students in **Years 7, 9 and 10 to remain at home.**
- We will offer places in school for the children of critical workers and vulnerable students in **Years 7, 9 and 10**

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If your child is affected by the industrial action next Wednesday or Thursday and you believe that you qualify as a critical worker or they have additional needs please complete the form which can be accessed at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/1sFE3M4KSQ>

We will try to support all requests but it will depend on how many staff we have available. Places are limited, so please complete the form by 12 noon on Monday 13th March 2023. We will then confirm whether we are able to provide the place.

Pupils that are eligible for free school meals are able to collect a grab bag from school reception at 1:15pm on Wednesday/Thursday. If you intend to collect a grab bag, please complete the form so that we can prepare the relevant number of bags in advance: <https://forms.office.com/e/cFdbMufifF>

May I once again reiterate, the dispute is with the government, not the Academy, and the NEU are campaigning for improved school funding and against the erosion of educators' pay and the subsequent difficulties this causes for recruitment to the profession. A number of our teachers will be striking, alongside their colleagues nationally.

As we have already found, things can change quickly during a strike, both locally and on a national level. I will maintain close contact throughout this period and write to you with updates if further industrial action is announced.

If you have any further queries, please contact school at: royds.office@sharemat.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



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