



HARROGATE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
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Advanced Notice of the arrangements for the next day of strike action

Dear Parents/Carer

We are writing to you with advanced notice on our arrangements for **Wednesday 5 July**. This is the next day of intended strike action by the National Education Union and this falls upon our planned Big Picture Day, Year 7 French Trip, Cambridge Open Day visit, Year 12 Cranedale Biology Trip and Year 12 Progression Day. There is a further day of industrial action on **Friday 7 July** but this is a planned staff training day where school is closed to students.

The NEU is the UK's largest education union and our planning indicates, along with our experience of the last six strike days, that we will be significantly affected again. As a result of this, we are not able to operate our normal provision for all students in school. The school will therefore be partially open for some students with remote learning in place for others.

Arrangements for each Year Group

Year 7	Attend school as normal for the planned Big Picture Day.
Year 8	Learning resources will be shared with students to complete on the day.
Year 9	Learning resources will be shared with students to complete on the day.
Year 10	Learning resources will be shared with students to complete on the day.
Year 12	Attend school as normal for the planned Progression Day.

The Year 7 French trip, Cambridge University Open Day visit and Year 12 Cranedale Biology Trip will go ahead as planned.

The parents of children who are identified as vulnerable will be contacted directly via Learning Support in the coming days to confirm their attendance in school.

If you work for the NHS or other emergency services and the closure of the school for Years 8 and 9 impacts on your ability to work, please contact our Deputy Headteacher, [Kristin Smith](#) so that we can provide a place for your child in school.

Learning Resources Years 8 to 10

Due to staffing of the Big Picture Day, Year 7 French Trip, Cambridge University Open Day visit, Year 12 Cranedale Biology Trip and Year 12 Progression Day, we do not have the staffing to deliver Teams lessons on this day of industrial action.

Students in Years 8 to 10 should complete the additional resources set. These will be shared with you in a separate communication.



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Wider Pastoral Support

We recognise that students may need support whilst they are learning from home and we encourage students to contact their Year Manager.

Year 8 Manager	Miss Deborah Moore	01423 535212	MooreD@hgs.rklt.co.uk
Year 9 Manager	Mrs Cathy Bennett	01423 535211	BennettC@hgs.rklt.co.uk
Year 10 Manager	Mrs Mel Oliver	01423 535214	OliverM@hgs.rklt.co.uk

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Jackson and she can be contacted directly via the school website.

Potential changes to our plan

We appreciate that strike action and disruption to schooling is always unwelcome.

Please be aware that we may well need to write to you again in the coming days, should there be any further updates or changes regarding the planned action.

We thank you for your understanding and hope that this industrial dispute is resolved quickly for the benefit of both students and the teaching profession as a whole.

Your sincerely



Neil Renton, Headteacher