

Friday 28th April 2023

Teachers' Industrial Action – Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may be aware, the National Education Union (NEU) has voted in favour of industrial action by their teaching members. The next of these national strikes takes place on Tuesday and we are now in a position to confirm plans for all students on Tuesday 2nd May 2023.

Tuesday 2nd May 2023:

- **Year 11 students should attend as normal, arriving by 8.30 for free breakfast.** Year 11 students will be having an assembly with senior leaders and then working on options subjects as well as English and Maths ahead of their exams beginning shortly. **Non-attendance will be classed as unauthorised absence.**
- **Students in Years 7-10 should remain at home and will receive remote learning** through our well-established remote education provision, accessing the suite of apps we use to support learning.

[A suggested timetable for this is here.](#)

All students will need to ensure they know their log-in details for MS Teams (Outlook 365), Seneca, Reading Plus, MathsWatch and GCSE (Year 10) and can access the remote provision in place for them.

Parents are expected to ensure their child has all their passwords to make sure they can access the full suite of remote learning, so they can be sure they are using their time productively.

- **JQA will remain open to 'vulnerable' students who are expected to attend and students whose parents/carers are key workers.** If you are a key worker and need your child to come into school on these dates, please contact the school via email (enquiry@corejewelleryquarter.academy) to discuss this further with the Headteacher by 4pm on Friday 28th April 2023.

Due to the bank holiday closure on Monday, we will not be able to provide students in Years 7-10 with the option of collecting a free lunch ahead of their day of Remote Learning on Tuesday.

Yours sincerely,



Mr J Barton - Headteacher

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When will the strikes take place next?

Strikes will take place on:

- Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Why have we chosen to provide remote education on strike days?

A proportion of our staff body are members of the NEU and so, having completed a thorough risk assessment, we do not have sufficient staffing to have all students in school. Our well-established remote provision will be used to ensure your child's education continues.

My child is set to remain at home during these days. How can I support my child to access remote learning?

It's important your child can access the remote learning provision. They can do this on many devices but they will need their MS Teams (Outlook 365) logins. Our clear Remote Learning policy and procedures are online: <https://www.corejewelleryquarter.academy/parents-and-carers/home-learning/> Families who require digital support can get in touch and make an application to borrow devices at:

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Ors2DDw07kKfFk8X_zexu-yVEZJcA2IKm2Q4wkLhBDpUNDFFTVRJOTNMOExaWERPRVdUMVplQUk1Qi4u We will be giving all our students a refresher on using the suite of learning apps at JQA this week.