



THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

27 January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

I can now confirm that on Wednesday 1 February, the first day of planned strike action by the NEU, that **we will only be open to the following groups** as prioritised in the government guidance issued to schools last week. These are:

1. Looked After Children and vulnerable children
2. Children of critical workers
3. Children preparing for public examinations – **all of Year 11**

For students not in the three priority categories above – as defined by the Department for Education – work will be provided on Google Classroom.

If you are a critical worker and you intend to send your child into school, I would be grateful if you could complete this [Critical Worker Attendance Notification Form](#) **by noon on Monday 30 January**. This is to assist the catering staff in making sure we have adequate provision at break times and to avoid food waste.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals, and they are not in one of the groups coming into school, then you will be issued a lunch voucher (as we distributed during lockdown).

As a reminder, the remaining dates for planned industrial action are:

Thursday 2 March

Wednesday 15 March

Thursday 16 March

Again, I am sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education but, as you will appreciate, our first priority has to be providing a safe and secure environment for our students and to do our best to ensure that we are able to open to the defined priority groups.

Yours sincerely

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