



Maximising our Potential

28th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

The NEU have declared their intention to strike on **Wednesday 5th** and **Friday 7th July**.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions and not because of any issues at our school or within our Trust. The majority of teaching staff at Kirkby High School are members of the NEU and are therefore exercising their right to strike. In some schools, the staff are members of a different teaching union which has not voted for strike action. Because of this, the situation varies from school to school and comparisons cannot be drawn.

Kirkby High School will be closed to students on **Wednesday 5th** and **Friday 7th July**. Staff who are not striking will attend school that day but the low numbers that will be in attendance mean that we cannot safely open school. Whilst the school is closed, we will be providing work for your children to complete for maths, English and science. Your child will be able to access the work through Class Charts using the log in that they use for their homework.

If your child is entitled to a free school meal, this continues during school closure, in accordance with DfE guidance. Our catering services will prepare a packed lunch for your child which can be collected from school between 1.15pm and 2pm on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. If you would like a packed lunch prepared for your child, please email school at admin@kirkbyhighschool.net by 4pm tomorrow, Thursday 29th June confirming this. If you do not inform school by email, lunch will not be made available for your child.

School will be open for all students on Thursday 6th July.

I am sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education. Thank you for your continued support during this national strike action.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Dobson
Headteacher