



Notification of NEU strike action and partial school closure on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023

Dear parents / carers,

We have been informed by NEU Trade Union that there will be two days of strike action by their teacher members on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023. The dispute is with the Secretary of State for Education with regards to the NEU view that there has been a "Failure to provide a fully funded above-inflation pay rise (as measured by September 2022 RPI). A fully funded pay rise is one that is funded by additional resources sufficient to provide the above-inflation pay rise" (NEU).



The Senior Leadership Team has assessed the impact on the school of this planned strike action and have decided that; On Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March, the school will be closed to all pupils except for:

- ◆ All Year 6 children who will attend school all day on both days as normal
- ◆ All Year 11 students who will attend at the following times to support preparation for their Summer GCSE examinations:
- ◆ All Year 13 students who should attend a Revision Skills Workshop 9.30 – 10.:30am on Thursday 16 March in the Cambridge Gym.
- ◆ Any students in Year 12 and Year 13 wish to attend supervised independent study in the Cambridge Sixth Form Common Room and C013

	Wednesday 15th		Thursday 16th	
	Bury	Cambridge	Bury	Cambridge
8:30-10:30	English 'walking-talking' mock exam	Maths 'walking-talking' mock exam	Maths 'walking-talking' mock exam	English 'walking-talking' mock exam
Break 30 mins				
11:00-12:00	GCSE revision strategies session			GCSE revision strategies session

Please note that:

These arrangements are subject to change – parents will be informed as soon as possible regarding any changes.

In exceptional circumstances, we may be able to accommodate a small number of pupils from other year groups. If you would like to discuss this possibility, please contact your child's Progress Leader or the Head of Primary in the first instance.

This decision has not been taken lightly. Due to the numbers of staff potentially involved in the strike action, there will be serious operational difficulties and insufficient staff in school to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the pupils.

Where possible, remote learning tasks will be provided for those pupils remaining at home via Show My Homework (Secondary) or Google Classroom (Primary). Please remind your child to complete these.

Our sincere apologies for the difficulties that these arrangements will cause parents/carers but unfortunately these are circumstances beyond our control.

The school will open as normal on Friday 17 March.

Mr P Miller, Head of School



Dear Parents and carers,

In order to keep our lunch times running smoothly and to ensure your child is able to purchase food in the canteen, please make sure that your child's ParentPay account is always sufficiently in credit.



We are aware some payments methods can take a while to reach ParentPay accounts so please bare this in mind when 'topping up'. We strongly recommend that you set up alerts within ParentPay to help you monitor your child's account.

Please note that if balances are not in credit, your child may find that they are unable to purchase anything at the canteen until any negative balance is cleared and credit is showing.

Thank you,
Ms S Patel- Administration Manager

Options Evening for Year 8 Students – Tuesday 14th March 2023

We would like to invite you and your child to attend the **Year 8 Options Evening on Tuesday 14th March 2023 from 5pm to 7pm. This event will be held at our Bury Campus.**

The Options process is the start of a very important stage in your child's education. They will be making key decisions about which subjects and courses they wish to study in Years 9, 10 and 11. They will also be thinking about their future education and career paths. This is a very exciting stage of your child's future, and you will have an opportunity to discuss the GCSE options your child wishes to study with the Heads of Faculty on Tuesday 14th March.

There will be two presentations on the evening, *and you are invited to attend one.* Details of the event are as follows:

5-5.30pm Options Presentation 1

5.45-6.15pm Options Presentation 2

During the event, between 5-7pm, subject specialists will be available in the Sports Hall to discuss the option courses with you in more detail. Please note that English, Maths, Science and Religious Studies are compulsory GCSEs for our students, and specialists in these subjects will also present for you to speak to so you can gain a greater insight into the course contents.

On the evening of Tuesday 14th March, you will be given a QR code linked to the Options booklet with details of the Option choices for your child. The information given to you on the evening will help you to make informed choices for your child's future. We will also be sending you a link to the Options online Form. Please therefore make sure we have your correct email details.

Please note that parking is limited on site, so to avoid being late please park on the roads nearby and be mindful of our neighbours.

We cannot stress enough the importance of your presence on this evening, and we are looking forward to meeting you and providing you with all the information you require in order to support your child in making this important decision.

Yours faithfully

Mrs F Adekola
KS3 Assistant Headteacher (Bury)

Mrs T Jean-Baptiste
KS3 Assistant Headteacher (Cambridge)

2023 Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 14th March	Year 8 Options Evening - Bury Campus 4pm –7pm
Wednesday 15th March & Thursday 16th March	School closed due to strike action
Tuesday 21st March 2023	Enrichment Day 2 - Both Campus's
Thursday 30th March 2023	Year 11 Parents' Evening - Bury Campus
Friday 31st March 2023	INSET DAY– <i>School closed to secondary students only</i>
Thursday 27th April 2023	Year 7 Parents' Evening - Cambridge Campus
Thursday 11th May 2023	Year 9 Parents' Evening - Bury Campus
Tuesday 4th July	Year 11 Bridging Day - Cambridge Campus
Thursday 6th July 2023	Enrichment Day 3 - Both Campus's
Monday 10th July 2023	KS3 (Year 7 & 8) Presentation Evening - Cambridge Campus
Tuesday 11th July 2023	KS4 (Year 9 & 10) Presentation Evening - Cambridge Campus

Term Dates - Academic Year 2023

Spring Term 2023

First half:	Monday 09 January 2023 – Friday 10 February 2023
<i>Half-term:</i>	Monday 13 February 2023 – Friday 17 February 2023
Second half:	Monday 20 February 2023 – Thursday 30 March 2023
INSET –	Friday 31 March 2023

Summer Term 2023

First half:	Monday 17 April 2023 – Friday 26 May 2023
<i>Half-term:</i>	Monday 29 May 2023 – Friday 02 June 2023
Second half:	Monday 05 June 2023 – Friday 21 July 2023

INSET – Staff Professional Development Days – School is closed to students

Friday 31 March 2023

Public & Bank Holidays

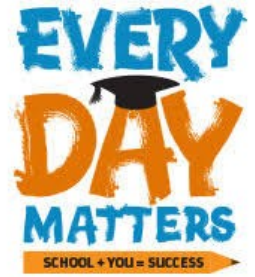
Easter Holiday:	Friday 07 April and Monday 10 April 2023
Spring Holiday:	Monday 01 and Monday 29 May 2023
Summer Holiday:	Monday 28 August 2023



Top Tutor Groups For Attendance
W/C 27th February 2023



11C5 98.3%
8C6 96.8%



Overall Bury Attendance 92.8%
Overall Cambridge Attendance 92.5%



Well Done!

Mrs M Corfe - Attendance Officer

Sixth Form Best Attendance
27th February 2023 - 3rd March 2023

Cambridge - 12E - 97.7%
Bury - 13A - 83.3%

Overall Year 12 Attendance - 92.2%
Overall Year 13 Attendance - 80.2%



Sixth form



Well done and keep up the good work!!

Mrs N. Uddin - Sixth Form Student Manager

Secondary Assemblies – w/c: 13/03/2023 — WEEK B

	Bury Campus - Hall	Cambridge Campus - Gym
Monday 13th March	Year 7	Year 7
Tuesday 14th March	Year 8	Year 8
Wednesday 15th March	School closed due to strike action	
Thursday 16th March		
Friday 17th March	Year 8—Police Consent Assembly	/