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THE THOMAS ADAMS SCHOOL, WEM

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**THOMAS ADAMS SIXTH FORM
ADAMS HOUSE (BOARDING)**

Headteacher: Mark Cooper BA (Hons)

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Dear Parents and carers,

Plans for 27th April and 2nd May 2023 – NEU (National Education Union) industrial action

I now have a clearer idea of which staff will be taking part in the planned action and how this will impact on the school provision on those days.

Thursday April 27th - Years 10, 11 and 13, Vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers

Having reviewed the number and the specialisms of the teachers who will not be present on Thursday, we have decided which year groups will be in school on the 27th April. Due to the lessons that will need to be provided on this day and the exam commitments, Years 10 and 11 pupils will be in school as normal, and Year 13 will be in Sixth Form as normal. We have also taken into consideration the importance of Years 11 and 13 being in School and Sixth Form due to the short period of time left before their formal external exams.

We will also be offering learning spaces in school for our vulnerable children and children of critical workers, who will be able to complete online learning tasks. To book a place for students in Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9, please email: enquiries@thomasadams.net with pupil name and form. We will need to know by 2pm on Tuesday 25th April if you intend to book your child a place.

Tuesday 2nd May - Years 9, 11 and 13, Vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers

Due to the lessons that will need to be provided on this day and the exam commitments, Years 9 and 11 pupils will be in school as normal, and Year 13 will be in Sixth Form as normal. We have also taken into consideration the importance of Years 11 and 13 being in School and Sixth Form due to the short period of time left before their formal external exams.

We will also be offering learning spaces in school for our vulnerable children and children of critical workers, who will be able to complete online learning tasks. To book a place for students in Year 7, Year 8 and Year 10, please email: enquiries@thomasadams.net with pupil name and form. We will need to know by 2pm on Thursday 27th April if you intend to book your child a place.

Unfortunately, some year groups that will not be in school on the 27th April and the 2nd May 2023. In an effort to try and minimise the impact on learning, staff (if not directly involved in the strike action) will be in school and setting work via Microsoft Teams. This will be done via the Assignment Tool function. If you need support, the following link will take you to a guide on how to access Microsoft Teams (<https://www.thomasadams.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Microsoft-Teams.pdf>) with further information on the "Curriculum Organisation" section of the school website within the "links" tab. The work set will help prepare students for their next in-school lesson as well as key revision for our examination groups. Staff not taking industrial action, will be available via the "chat" function on Teams during their usual teaching hour.

Transport

The school bus and taxi services will run as normal on the 27th April and the 2nd May.



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Food

The school kitchen will be open and offer a restricted food selection at break and lunch. Students who are in Year 7 and Year 8 who are normally in receipt of free school meals, and not in school, will have £6 credited to their ParentPay account, which will be available for use on another day. Students in Year 9 and Year 10 will have £3 credited to their ParentPay account.

Thank you for your understanding; we will endeavour to ensure that the strike day runs as smoothly as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Cooper', written in a cursive style.

Mark Cooper, Headteacher