

19th January 2023

Dear parents/guardians,

I am writing to reassure you of our position in relation to planned strike action from NEU members. We appreciate that the plans for four days of action may be concerning for families. We wanted to reassure you that the school stance supported, by the JT-MAT and staff, will be that Kingsmead School will remain fully open and students will continue to receive their normal education and enrichment wherever possible.

The leadership team are currently working with our teachers and the union to ensure that all activities currently planned over the four days of action can continue to take place. These include mock exams, revision, Little Shop of Horrors and the Year 9 Options Evening, as well as normal taught lessons.

I know that you will be fully aware of the dedication and commitment from all staff at Kingsmead. I am incredibly proud to work with such a hard-working and caring group of people. As such, I know that you will also appreciate that staff are determined that our provision will be kept as close to normal as we can.

The school has developed many strategies to deal with unusual circumstances as a result of work through things like the Covid-19 Pandemic, Strep A outbreaks and snow closures. We will continue to put the needs of our children and their wellbeing at the centre of all that we do, ensuring that they continue to learn throughout.

I will update you shortly as we receive further clarity on any impact.

Best wishes, VILINDIEC.

Maria Mincher Headteacher