

24th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers.

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union has declared **regional** strike action taking place on **Thursday**, **2**nd **March 2023**.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our academy.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for Thursday.

On Thursday, 2nd March we will be **closed** for year groups **7,8,9 and 10**.

Years 11, 12 and 13 will attend with normal academy timings to the Minster campus.

I am sorry to families of years 7-10 that alternative arrangements for your child will have to be made at short notice and that they will experience disruption to their education.

There will be some families who we will contact where we know support will be needed and invite into the academy however this will be strictly by invitation only.

I understand this situation may be frustrating and ask all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Oasis Academy Isle of Sheppey remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please contact your son/daughter's year group team via email, each are detailed on our website under Contact Us.

Kind regards,

Executive Principal – Mr A Booth

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