

Wednesday 21 December 2022

Dear parent/carer,

Following recent industrial action by teacher unions, I am writing to inform you that the teacher unions, the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS), the Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association (SSTA), the National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers (NASUWT) and the Association of Head Teachers and Deputes (AHDS) intend to carry out further industrial action over the national pay offer and their members plan to strike in January 2023.

The dates that will affect our school are:

Wednesday 11 January 2023

- All secondary schools and secondary additional support needs (ASN) schools will be closed to pupils.

Thursday 19 January 2023

- All primary, secondary and ASN schools will be **closed** to pupils.
- All 57 term-time, school-based nursery classes will also be **closed** to pupils.

I am getting in touch with you now as the impact of the industrial action may mean that you will need to consider additional childcare arrangements over these dates.

As the school will be closed to pupils on Wednesday 11 January and Thursday 19 January 2023, there will not be any school meal provision on site, and there will not be any school transport, breakfast clubs or school crossing patrols.

Families in receipt of free school meals on the basis of low income will be reimbursed via a direct payment to bank accounts or via Paypoint voucher to postal addresses which may take up to five working days.

As you will understand, this is a situation that may be subject to change and I will inform you at the first opportunity if there are further changes to the school day.

Please visit the council's website with the most up to date information on www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/industrial-action.

Every best wish

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