

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to update you on our Academies' plans for the strike action day planned for Wednesday 1st February.

Our plans remain largely unchanged since I last wrote to you. Our Headteachers and Principal have spoken to school staff and we are confident that the following arrangements will be in place on Wednesday. Should there be any changes, Headteachers and Principals will contact you directly. As previously, our priorities are, in line with DfE advice, to offer provision for vulnerable children and those of critical workers, as in the Pandemic, and those in exam years.

West Lakes Academy: Year 13 and Year 11 will be in school for supervised private study and taught lessons. The Academy is closed to all others in Years 7 – 10 and Year 12. Staff will set online learning for core subjects and private study for these students. Provision will also be in place for vulnerable students.

Arlecdon and Thornhill Primaries: Open for all pupils except two year olds.

Dearham Primary: Open for all pupils, including nursery children.

Flimby Primary: Closed for all pupils except Year 6 and vulnerable pupils.

We continue to understand the frustrations of many teachers that have resulted in this action. We are operating as close to normal as possible for our children, and providing remote learning where it is not possible to ensure the health and safety of the children should we have too few staff available. We ask for your support in working with us to make sure we do the best we can for your children in these circumstances. Academy leaders will contact you directly with further details about individual academies should anything change before Wednesday. In the meantime, please contact your child's school if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely

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