



09th March 2023

Update on NEU Strike Action – 15th and 16th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

We previously informed you of the last two provisional strike days being led by the National Education Union (NEU): **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March**. We are yet to receive final confirmation but perceive that they are likely to go ahead. Welsh Government are in continued conversations with the NEU.

If the strike days are confirmed, Crickhowell High School will not be in a position to open to students due to the number of NEU members. Again, the student to staff ratio means that supervision, First Aid and Child Protection will not meet the required levels for the safety and wellbeing of our students.

As with the previous strike days, any non-striking staff will attend to online lessons with examination classes (Years 10-13) and Years 7-9 can access support materials via their subject Teams and the links we have previously shared.

The Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening was in the school calendar for Thursday 16th March. If the strike days go ahead then we intend to move the **Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening to Monday 20th March** and this will be done via School Cloud as normal, 4-7p.m.

As soon as we have updates from the NEU, we will be in a position further update you. We understand the disruption by the industrial action to students and families and we are doing well we can as a Leadership Team to manage the process as best as possible. As with all industrial action, we have to follow the clear Union frameworks and rulings. Thank you again for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Jones

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Jones'.

Headteacher

