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Dear Parents and Carers

Many thanks for all your kind messages regarding the Strike day back on the 1st February 2023. As you will be aware, the second Strike Day is planned for 28th February 2023

The decision on the first Strike day to close the school to three Year groups was definitely the right one, due to the number of teachers I had available. I am preparing for the Strike on the 28th February 2023 in the same way. The plans, as you can imagine, are very comprehensive and if we have more staff available the plans are also flexible to accommodate this.

School will be open for Year 7, 11, the DP and our vulnerable students

The School on the 28th February 2023 will be open for Year 11, Year 7, The DP and our vulnerable students. Year 11 are sitting their mock examinations and I would like these to continue with no disruption, as they are incredibly important. As I can only open for two year groups safely, I have taken the decision to open for Year 7 this time (as well as Year 11), as I want to ensure I try and make it fair. We have two more potential Strike days after this one, therefore, Year 8 and Year 9 will have an opportunity to be in school. I am sure you understand why I need to keep Year 11 in school, as the real GCSE examinations are just on the horizon and the Year 11 students have to be our priority. I appreciate that these decisions are difficult, but I make them with the best of intentions.

Year 8, 9 and 10

Year 8, 9 and 10 will be set project-based work on Microsoft Teams. The work will also be sent via email and will also be available on the website. If there are any problems with the content, then please contact Mr Kinsey ckinsey@boteler.org.uk who is in charge of the Quality of Education. If you have a technical problem, please contact my Business Manager Mr Frodsham mfrodsham@boteler.org.uk

The DP, Year 7, Year 11 and vulnerable students - What to wear and what to bring to school on the 28th February 2023

- Full uniform is required for the DP, Year 11 and the vulnerable students.
- **Year 7 are to wear their full Boteler PE kit with trainers.** Non-uniform items are not permitted.
- All students must pack their bag as if they were following their normal timetable on that day.



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- All students need their bag, full equipment including their calculator and ISP.
- Year 11 students need to bring their CGP Knowledge Organisers and Knowledge Retrieval books with them as well as independent revision.
- All students are to bring a reading book.
- There will be no Period 0 or Period 6 for Year 11 on the 28th February.

The vulnerable students who are coming in who work in the Progress Hub, will need to line up outside in their KS3/KS4 spaces at 8.25 and then they will be met via the relevant staff. These students need to bring all their work for their timetabled day. We will then place these students with key staff, once we know how many are coming in to school.

The DP students are to go straight to the DP on arrival and will follow a bespoke timetable.

Year 7 and Year 11 students are to line up outside at 8.25. Year 11 will be brought into the Dining Room and Year 7 will be brought into The Old Gym. Year 11, following their mock exam in the afternoon, will be dismissed straight from their exam to go home, which will be around 14.30

The Dining Room will be open for food as normal for those students who are in school.

If your child is in receipt of FSM (and is not in school) they are welcome to pick up a lunch package. If this is the case then please can you let us know as soon as possible by emailing fsm@boteler.org.uk The ordered lunch packages will be available at 12 noon from the Foyer on the 28th February.

Please may I take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding regarding the changes we are having to make. Your support is very much appreciated and really does have a positive impact on the smooth running of the day.

All students to attend as normal on Wednesday 1st March. Period 0 and Period 6 will resume for Year 11 as well as all extra-curricular activities.

If you have any questions then please email me directly bscott-herron@boteler.org.uk



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Yours faithfully

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