



The Blyth School Community College

Head Bridget Knowles

Our consistent aims at The Blyth School, Community College are to encourage positive behaviour and high attainment.

Dear Parent or Carer

You will be aware that most public sector trade unions are planning or considering strike action on 30th November. At this point it is not clear which unions will actually call strikes or how many staff at our school will be affected. You will remember that on the last strike, we managed to stay open for specific year groups but it is likely that this time more staff will be called out on strike. At this stage I wanted to outline the possible impact on your son or daughter and how we will communicate with you as the 30th November draws closer. I know that some parents and carers will need to make alternative child care arrangements and want to give you as much notice as possible.

By Thursday 24th November I should have a clearer idea of how many staff intend to strike. I will then look at the classes and students affected and let you know. If it is possible to run a normal school day for some or all students, we will do so. Please be aware that I am not allowed to use non-striking staff to take classes belonging to striking staff.

Information on which year groups are affected will go on our website and a letter and/or text will be sent to you.

I fully appreciate that this action may well cause some difficulties for you and I regret having to write to you to inform you of the likely disruption. I will make sure that you are kept fully informed and know the position with your son or daughter as soon as we have some clarity.

Yours sincerely

Bridget Knowles

Headteacher



We are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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