



CASTLEHEAD HIGH SCHOOL



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Industrial Action by UNISON and GMB Trade Unions
Tuesday 26th September
Wednesday 27th September
Thursday 28th September

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following on from the correspondence from Julie Calder, Head of Education, and Interim Chief Education Officer, on Thursday, I am writing to inform you of our plans at Castlehead High School.

The planned strike day for members of UNISON and GMB trade unions is planned for **Tuesday 26th September, Wednesday 27th September and Thursday 28th September** and while this does not involve teachers, it does involve staff who are vital to the safe and effective operation of our school, including support staff and catering, cleaning, and janitorial staff. Therefore, Castlehead High School in addition to all other schools in Renfrewshire will be closed on these three days.

While the school building will be closed, online learning will continue, and our teaching staff will be setting classwork on our SatchelOne platform to support our pupils over the course of the three days. Teaching staff will also be available to answer any questions and provide support during on the SatchelOne platform.

If any parents have not downloaded the SatchelOne app, please do so as soon as possible. I have also attached a link to the parents' guide for your information.

<https://help.satchelone.com/en/articles/3191139-common-questions-for-parents>

If any parents would like support with gaining access to the SatchelOne platform, please contact the school office prior to the strike days on 0300 300 1300.



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If any pupil is unable to access the SatchelOne due to a device, parents should contact their child's Pupil Support teacher.

While the Council has been formally notified by trade unions of their intentions to strike, there is also the possibility that through negotiations the strike may not take place. We will update you if the position changes.

The school will reopen as normal to all pupils on Friday 29th September 2023.

With very best wishes to you and your family,

Gordon Menzies
Head Teacher



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