



Penryn
College

"Achieving through Challenge"

June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer(s)

As you may be aware, members of the National Education Union (NEU) are planning strike action for a further two days, the first of which is on **Wednesday 5th July** and the second on **Friday 7th July**. I am writing to inform you of our plans for these days, should they go ahead. We are hoping that an agreement may be reached beforehand, so we do not have to implement this plan, but this has not been the case to date. **You will receive a text and an e-mail if the situation changes between now and next Wednesday.**

On both days, the school will be open for **Year 10 students**, who are all expected to attend. They will be completing a mixture of scheduled examinations and/or supervised study on Wednesday 5th July and will be visiting Cornwall College as planned on Friday 7th July. Please note that it is **compulsory** for **Year 10** pupils to attend on these days.

Attendance is **optional** for those students who fit one or more of the categories below:

- Children whose parents/carers are critical workers (i.e. NHS workers and teachers). Please note that all parents/carers at home must be critical workers for this to apply.
- ARB students.
- Students who meet the Department for Education 'Vulnerable' criteria (e.g. open to social care, have an Education and Health Care Plan).

Please note that, as before, on these days, scheduled lessons will not take place for any students who attend, and the school will look very different to normal. With limited staff likely to be on site, please can I ask that, if your child is in Years 7-9, that they work from home if at all possible.

We ask that all parents/carers of Year 7-9 students whose children fit into one of the above three categories complete the form using the link below, **AND ONLY IF THEY WOULD LIKE THEIR CHILD TO ATTEND ON THESE DAYS**. This will give us a record of who is due to be in school. If you are happy for your child to work at home on these days, there is no need to use the link or let us know. We will only expect those students to be in school who have signed up for places, along with Year 10 pupils. **Please can we ask that you complete this form by 3.00pm on Friday 30th June so we can plan the staffing accordingly.**

Link: <https://home.penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk/local/rynbook/keyworker.html>

All students who do not attend school on these days should use their time to:

- Revise.
- Complete any work on Showbie.
- Catch up on any missing classwork or homework.
- Read.
- Supplement their learning across a range of subjects using various programmes available on their iPads.
- Do some extended reading around some of their subjects. There is a wealth of information on the green sheets in their books which can be used for extended study.



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Please note that, on these days, buses will run as normal for Year 10 students and those pupils who need to attend. The canteen will also be open for business. There will be no breakfast or extra-curricular clubs available on these days.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding these two days of strike action.

Thank you for your support during this time. As always, it is truly valued.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tamsin Schouten', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Tamsin Schouten
Headteacher