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Dear parents/carers

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU has declared two more days of strike action, which will take place on 5th & 7th July. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our school. I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for these two days.

As the vast majority of our teaching staff belong to the NEU, it will not be possible to open the school for the vast majority of our students. Our risk assessment of the school is that there would not be sufficient staff to safely oversee all students, which is why we need to close.

We will however be open to vulnerable students and children of critical workers. Brighton and Hove City Council have advised that schools apply the same prioritisation as during the restricted opening times during Covid. If you would like your child to attend school on either of these days, could you please email your child's Head of Year by Friday 30th June so we know how many students will be attending. These students will also be based in a computer room during the day and should bring work with them to complete.

The school canteen will be open at break and lunchtime as normal, and the school buses will also be running.

I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child, and that they will experience further disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Longhill High School remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

If you have any questions, please email admin@longhill.org.uk.

Kind regards,

Bill Holland
Acting Headteacher