



# YSGOL GYMUNEDOL ABERDÂR ABERDARE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Unfortunately, the school will have to close on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March** for all learners in **Year 7, 8, & 9** due to the possible number of staff taking part in the National Education Union (NEU) strike. Teaching staff on site will be providing online work for their classes on that day using our normal platforms. For learners on site in Year 10, 11, 12 & 13, supervised independent study will be in place where their teacher is not available.

Normal transport arrangements will be in place for learners in Year 10, 11, 12 & 13.

We are awaiting confirmation from the local authority to see if the same arrangements as previous strike days will be in place regarding free school meals. We will update you regarding this as soon as possible.

I am very sorry that parents and pupils have been inconvenienced in this way. I hope that the Government and the trade unions seek to resolve this situation as soon as possible. We will continue to keep you updated via ClassCharts, and the school website if there are any changes to these arrangements.

Clearly this is a difficult situation, which will cause some disruption. I would ask you, however, to be understanding. A national strike by teachers is very unusual. Taking strike action is not something that any teacher would undertake lightly. Those on strike will have thought long and hard about their decision and will also lose pay for the days that they are on strike.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding.

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Mrs Morgans  
Headteacher