## THE SACRED HEART LANGUAGE COLLEGE

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Dear Parent,

## Strike Update

Welcome back to the summer term. I am sure that you are aware from the national media that there are further teacher strike days planned that will have an impact on your daughter's attendance at school. This is part of continued strike action by members of the National Education Union. The new dates are Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

When deciding on whether to open or close, we must assess the health and safety implications based on the number of teachers we anticipate will be absent from school. As a result, I can confirm that school will be closed to the majority of students on those dates. The full details are:

## Thursday, 27th April

**Year 11 pupils** - will be supervised in school and undertaking revision and examination preparation tasks set by their teachers if their teachers are not in school or following normal lessons. It is important that they bring in their books and revision resources for their normal timetabled lessons.

**Year 10 pupils** – to attend school for their allocated time for their GCSE language oral only. All pupils are aware of the timing of this public examination. They will leave school after their exam.

Years 7-9 - to undertake remote learning from home following their normal timetable.

## Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Year 11 pupils to be in school.

**Year 9** – selected pupils will be in school undertaking a final workshop for their First Give presentations. A separate letter will be sent to you if your daughter is part of the group of presenters involved.

Year 10, all year 9s who have not been contacted separately as above and all year 7 and 8 pupils will be at home undertaking remote learning.

In addition, school will also be open for those pupils in year 7 and 8 that have already registered for a place as a critical worker family and for those who have previously been contacted by Mrs McCarthy, our Head of Inclusion.

If your daughter is eligible for free school meals please monitor your emails for a voucher to cover the cost of lunch on those days.

I fully understand the difficulties that this causes and would like to apologise for this ongoing disruption. At the moment, these are the only dates that have been confirmed but we will inform you as soon as we can about any future dates as and when they are announced.















May I also take this opportunity to remind you that school is closed for everyone on Monday,  $1^{st}$  May and Monday,  $8^{th}$  May for the national bank holidays.

Thank you for your ongoing understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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