

Parents and Carers

Date 01 February 2023

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Our ref ECS/S&LL/LFAH

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing again about the industrial action that has been planned by some of the teaching unions, which unfortunately will have implications for schools.

- All schools will close for pupils on Tuesday, 28th February 2023 and Wednesday, 1st March 2023.
- Term time Early Learning Childcare within primary schools is closed. All other Early Learning Childcare provision remains open.
- Secondary schools will also close for pupils, but some local arrangements may be in place, for example for those taking assessments. Secondary Headteachers will be in touch directly to confirm local arrangements.
- Special schools will fully close except Gorgie Mills which will be partially open. The Headteacher will confirm local arrangements.
- Contingency Learning is available on the Council website [here](#).
- Free School Meal payments for eligible families will be sent out by the Council's Transactions Team via the Easter payment on 20th March 2023.
- Out of School Care delivery arrangements will be confirmed locally.

Please also note that further industrial action is proposed in March and April. I will be in touch as soon as we have further details.

Finally, an update about the group that is in the process of being formed, with parents and carers, to look at closing gaps in learning no matter their origin. If you are interested in joining please email marie.lyon@edinburgh.gov.uk

With sincere thanks again for your understanding,



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