

13 March 2023

Dear Parent or Carer,

RE: Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March - Year 9

As you are aware, due to the impending strike action, we have no choice but to partially close on Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March 2023 and will be open for students in Years 11, 12 and 13 only. As the school will be closed to Year 9 students on these days, please find below appropriate activities that link to their current studies that can be completed at home across the two days.

Wednesday 15 March

Maths

Students are working on a unit on fractions, decimals and percentages and they can use this link to Oak National Academy for further practice:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/fractions-1-2-and-fractional-change-b3dd>

Additionally, they can use MathsWatch for any extra revision they would like to do on fractions, decimals and percentages.

English

Students are studying the Shakespeare play Macbeth with their teachers. They can work through the linked activities to develop their understanding of the tragic hero:

[Shakespeare's Macbeth - Macbeth - Shakespeare - KS3 English - BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize](#)

Science

In biology, students are currently studying organisation. They can use the following link to revise organisation and then test themselves using the quiz. They might want to make notes or flashcards to help them revise:

[Levels of organisation - Animal organisation - gaseous exchange systems - AQA - GCSE Combined Science Revision - AQA Trilogy - BBC Bitesize](#)

Thursday 16 March

Maths

Students are working on a unit on fractions, decimals and percentages and they can use this link to Oak National Academy for further practice:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/percentage-increase-and-decrease-fc15>

Additionally, they can use MathsWatch for any extra revision they would like to do on fractions, decimals and percentages.

English

Students can work through the linked activities to develop their understanding of the tragic villain Lady Macbeth (or should that be victim?):

[Shakespeare's Macbeth - Lady Macbeth - Shakespeare - KS3 English - BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize](#)

Science

In physics, students are currently studying electricity. They can use the following link to revise electricity and then test themselves using the quiz. They might want to make notes or flashcards to help them revise:

[Electrical circuit symbols - Electric circuits - AQA - GCSE Combined Science Revision - AQA Trilogy - BBC Bitesize](#)

APEX

As part of National Careers Week (6-10 March), students explored the wide-ranging opportunities and pathways available to them. All of this information has been shared into a student newsletter with links to access further information. Within this newsletter, students can access the National Careers Week links and their start profiles which will support them with their next steps:

<https://sway.office.com/8sNyNFBjAEYS3hn3?ref=email>

Students can also use the time to complete any homework they have and parents can use EduLink One to check the details of any tasks set and when they are due in. All Year 9 students should have a reading book they have taken out from the library and we encourage them to spend some time independently reading.

Please note that students who would normally receive a free school meal will receive a top up of £6 to their Parent Pay account this week. Students are able to purchase extra meal deals on Tuesday 14 March to bring home if they wish or, alternatively, they can spend the money across the week.

Once again, we are sorry for any disruption this may cause and thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,



Vicky Loftus
Headteacher