

By email to: Parents and Carers, City of Edinburgh
Council pupils

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to give you as much notice as possible of the actions that we are taking following the announcement of industrial action by the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS) and the Association of Heads and Deputies in Scotland (AHDS). The date of industrial action has been set for Thursday 24th November 2022.

- As almost all teachers will be involved, schools will be closed on that day.
- Teachers and other staff who are not striking will work from home. Headteachers will send out details of the learning and pastoral support that will be provided as soon as possible.
- Term time nursery classes within primary schools will be closed. All other settings will be open. Specific arrangements will be emailed separately.
- Those who are eligible for free school meals will take home Thursday's lunch on Wednesday with instructions for keeping it fresh until used.
- There will be no clubs other than evening classes which take place after 6pm.

It is unfortunate that we have had to take these decisions, but with so many staff likely to be taking part in the industrial action, it is not possible to safely open schools.

I appreciate that the planned industrial action will cause disruption to families who will have to make alternative childcare arrangements and apologise for this.

If the planned industrial action does not take place we will of course keep you updated through our Council website and your child's school.

Thank you in advance for your understanding at this time.

Yours sincerely,



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