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Parents/Carers of Pupils attending
Dundee City Council Nurseries and Schools

Our Ref: **PF/MM**
Your Ref:
Date: **21 February 2023**

Dear Parent/Carer

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL ACTION – 28 FEBRUARY AND 1 MARCH 2023

I am writing to inform you that the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS), the Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association (SSTA), the Association of Head Teachers and Deputies in Scotland (AHDS) and NASUWT will be holding strike action on 28 February and 1 March 2023.

All schools will be affected by the industrial action due to the staff membership of the EIS, SSTA, AHDS and NASUWT. The decision has therefore been taken to close all primary, secondary, and special schools to pupils on 28 February and 1 March. However, **all** Dundee City Council nurseries will be open to children as normal. Please note that this includes nursery classes attached to primary schools as well as standalone settings.

Industrial action is being taken by members of these unions and associations over national pay negotiations.

In summary, on 28 February and 1 March 2023:

- All primary schools **will be closed** to all pupils.
- All secondary schools **will be closed** to all pupils.
- Kingspark School **will be closed** to all pupils.
- Rockwell Learning Centre **will be closed** to all pupils.
- All Dundee City Council nurseries **will be open** to children as normal. Please note that this includes nursery classes attached to primary schools as well as standalone settings.

All schools will be open as normal to all pupils on 2 March.

Arrangements are being made for free school meal payments to be made directly to qualifying households.

Any change to the above will be posted on Dundee City Council social media channels, and shared via nurseries and schools as soon as possible.

Your sincerely



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Approaches to remote learning at Baldragon Academy

Baldragon Academy Learning Portal

Visit the Baldragon Academy Website on any device: <http://baldragon.ea.dundeeecity.sch.uk> and click on the tab: **Learning Portal**.

There are a variety of links on the home page, including Glow, West OS and e-Sgoil.

From this page you will also be able to navigate the **Departmental Launch Pad** on the top right, select the specific subject area and follow the steps to access learning.

There are also **How to Guides** for accessing Glow and Microsoft Teams on multiple devices. Your child's teachers have also created Microsoft Teams for their classes so that pupils can access subject lessons and homework directly.

There are lots of links to general learning resources such as BBC Bitesize, Leisure and Culture Dundee Libraries, Borrowbox ...
<https://sites.google.com/dd.glow.scot/baldragonacademyrlp/department-launchpad/general-learning-resources>

DCC Online Learning Hub: <https://sites.google.com/dd.glow.scot/dundeeonlinelearninghub>

National e-Learning Offer: <https://education.gov.scot/nelo/>

West OS via Glow: All young people can access these resources using the West OS tile on the Glow Launchpad or the link on the Baldragon Academy Remote Learning Portal.

Scholar: Run by Heriot Watt University, Scholar offer [42 online courses](https://scholar.hw.ac.uk/) for Scottish schools and colleges aligned to the SQA curriculum at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher level - <https://scholar.hw.ac.uk/>