



3 October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Rail strike on 5 October 2022 – school is open as usual**

As you will be aware, there is to be a national rail strike on Wednesday 5 October 2022 which will either cause a significant reduction to services or cancellation of services. School will remain open as usual on Wednesday 5 October 2022 and the Progress Exams for Year 11 will also go ahead as planned. We expect that arrangements will already have been made to ensure your child can safely arrive at school as usual and accept there may be other transport delays as a consequence.

The industrial action has been organised by ASLEF (Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen) "ASLEF is the UK's train drivers' union". The industrial action on Wednesday 5 October impacts services which some of our children use to get to school. The following is an extract from the Northern Rail website:

**NO NORTHERN SERVICES on 1 & 5 October and very limited services on 8 October as a result of strike action.**

As a result of ASLEF and RMT strike action, Northern customers are advised that there are **NO NORTHERN SERVICES on Saturday 1 and Wednesday 5**. In addition, there is a very limited service on Saturday 8 October and customers are advised not to travel.

Services are also expected to be affected on Sunday 2 and Sunday 9 October, especially in the morning, so please check before you travel.

**On 8th October, only travel by rail if necessary and if you do travel, expect severe disruption and plan ahead - especially the first and last trains of the day. Remember to check your entire journey as other train service providers may be affected.**

The following is an extract from Northern Rail's website:

If you have a ticket for travel on **Wednesday 5 October 2022** and your journey is affected, in whole or in part, by one of the train companies undertaking industrial action you can use this ticket to complete your journey either the day before or up to and including **Friday 7 October 2022**.

**I appreciate the industrial action may cause inconvenience, but we will remain open as usual and provide support where we are able.**

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher