



June 2011

Dear Parent

### **INDUSTRIAL ACTION ON THURSDAY 30 JUNE**

We have been informed by the National Union of Teachers and Association of Teachers and Lecturers that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a strike on Thursday 30 June 2011. This action is not against Graham School but is part of national industrial action organised by these trades unions about changes to the pension schemes of their members. All staff who are not taking action will work in school on that day.

This will reduce the number of staff available to the point where we do not feel we can provide a meaningful and safe education for our students on this day. Therefore, I regret to inform you that the school will be closed to students on Thursday 30 June. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you and we must all hope that the issues over which the industrial action has arisen are resolved as soon as possible.

### **TIMETABLE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM**

This is also an opportunity to remind you of the timetable for the remainder of term:

- Wednesday 6 July is a Teacher Training Day.
- Thursday 7 and Friday 8 July are 'Transition' days. We will forward further information about school transport arrangements for those days next week.
- Monday 11 July until Tuesday 19 July will be the new 'September' timetable with Years 9, 10 and 11 on the Upper School site and Years 7 and 8 on the Lower School site.
- Term ends for students on Tuesday 19 July at 3.10pm.

### **SCHOOL NEWSPAPER**

Students have just produced our first School Newspaper. We will forward a copy, one per family next week. This is the first part of a broader strategy to update you on events in School.

### **NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

The new school year begins on Monday 5 September for all students. Term dates for 2011 – 2012 are on the reverse of this letter.

Thank you for your support and cooperation on these matters.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Garry Hancock'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Garry Hancock  
Executive Headteacher

	<b><u>School closes at the end of the day on</u></b>	<b><u>Teacher Training Days Pupils do not attend</u></b>	<b><u>School re-opens at 8.30 am on</u></b>
		<b><i>Wed 6 July 2011</i></b>	
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>	Tue 19 July 2011	<b><i>Thurs 1 September 2011 Friday 2 September 2011</i></b>	Mon 5 September 2011
<b>OCTOBER HALF TERM</b>	Fri 21 October 2011		Mon 31 October 2011
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b>	Tues 20 December 2011	<b><i>Friday 6 January 2012</i></b>	Monday 9 January 2012
<b>FEBRUARY HALF TERM</b>	Friday 10 February 2012		Monday 20 February 2012
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>	Fri 30 March 2012		Mon 16 April 2012
<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	Fri 4 May 2012		Tues 8 May 2012
<b>SUMMER HALF TERM</b>	Fri 1 June 2012		Mon 11 June 2012
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>	Fri 20 July 2012		TBA

