

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

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Consequently, the Board of Management wish to inform you that the school will be open for all students on Monday 7th November and all subsequent days where ASTI members have withdrawn from supervision and substitution duties unless you are notified otherwise.

The Board of Management/Manager wishes to assure you that it will continue to make every effort to provide education and care for our pupils and values your support in this endeavour.

ASTI Strike Day November 8th

The ASTI has also notified the Board of Management of a Strike Day on Tuesday November 8th. If this strike day goes ahead as planned the Board of Management will not be in a position to discharge its responsibility with regard to the care of students in its charge.

The Board of Management is therefore requesting you not to send your son/daughter to school on Tuesday November 8th.

The Board of Management will notify parents of arrangements regarding any further strike dates as they arise.

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Yours sincerely,

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