

12 September 2025

Kia ora Parents / Caregivers / Whānau

Re: Advice of partial strikes during the week of Monday 15 September to Thursday 18 September 2025

The PPTA Te Wehengarua (the union) has informed our school board that teachers who are PPTA members will be taking strike action next week (week beginning 15 September 2025). This means that our teaching staff who are PPTA members will refuse to teach students in certain year level groups during that week but continue to teach all other students.

The union refers to this as "rostering home", and while it is lawful for the union to take strike action in which they refuse to teach certain year levels on a given day, it is for our school board to decide what arrangements will be put in place for the affected students.

The Ōtūmoetai College school board has carefully considered the availability of non-union teaching staff and unfortunately decided that we cannot provide normal instruction to students in affected year levels on each of these dates. This means that students should stay at home on the designated day for their year level (*see table below for timing of year levels affected*).

Students will be expected to attend school as normal when it is not their year level's rostered day home.

Timing of year levels affected

Date	Year Levels
Monday 15 September	Years 12 and 13 (rostered home)
Tuesday 16 September	Year 11 (rostered home)
Wednesday 17 September	Year 10 (rostered home)
Thursday 18 September	Year 9 (rostered home)

Thank you for your understanding. Please contact the Principal on, rgordon@otc.school.nz if you have any queries relating to the impact of the industrial actions noted above.

Ngā mihi



Matthew King
Presiding Member
Ōtūmoetai College Board