



13<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parent, Guardian or Carer,

**Re: National Education Union (NEU) Strike Action: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

I am writing to update you about the planned strike action that is due to take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March. We are planning to make very similar arrangements to that of the previous strike day however we will be inviting different year groups into College to minimise any disruption to learning. The arrangements are as follows and are in place to ensure the College will run safely.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

College will be closed for Years 7 and 8. Students who are not on site will be expected to use the remote education. All lessons will be delivered on TEAMS through a blended approach of live lessons and independent work. Year 9 and Year 10 and Post 16 students must attend as normal; usual attendance rules and procedures apply. We want to take this opportunity to reiterate that your child's education is important to our staff. As such, we will continue to review our contingency plans if the planned industrial action continues.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

College will be closed for Years 9 and 10. Students who are not on site will be expected to use the remote education. All lessons will be delivered on TEAMS through a blended approach of live lessons and independent work. Year 7 and Year 8 and Post 16 students must attend as normal; usual attendance rules and procedures apply. We want to take this opportunity to reiterate that your child's education is important to our staff. As such, we will continue to review our contingency plans if the planned industrial action continues.

**Year 11 will continue with their Trial Exams and will leave College once the exam has been completed. Year 11 are expected to be in for exams on both Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>.**

We hope that you understand how we have not taken these decisions lightly. For example, before reaching these decisions we have had to take into consideration the need to secure the health and safety of both your child as well as any non-striking staff. We hope that by putting in place these contingency plans, we can limit any impact the strike could have to your child's education.

We look forward to welcome all year groups back into school on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March on their normal start time. We will be celebrating Comic relief where the whole school will take place in the various activities to raise money for Comic Relief 2023. Day will resume from Period 1 until 4 as routine timetable and Period 5 and 6 will be utilised for comic relief activities.

Yours faithfully,

Marlene Littlefair  
Principal