

10 March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

The National Education Union have declared two further days of strike action, **Wednesday**, **15 March** and **Thursday**, **16 March** 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the Union and the Secretary of State for Education over pay and school funding.

The School will be open to all students in Year 7, Year 11 and Year 13. Students should arrive at 09:00.

Year 7 will have lessons in PE, Arts and Science. Students should bring their PE kit on both days.

Year 11 will undertake intensive Maths and English examination preparation and Mock examinations. Year 13 will be taught by their teachers in selected subjects.

Additionally, selected classes in **Year 12** will also be expected to attend. This will be confirmed on Monday.

Unfortunately, the School will be closed on Wednesday 15 March 2023 and Thursday 16 March 2023 for all other students. Work will be set for these students to complete on Satchel:One.

We have not taken this decision lightly. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils. Given the staff we are likely to have available, we are able to provide the programmes of learning only to the specific Year Groups mentioned above.

Students should attend in full School uniform. The day will begin promptly at 09:00; additional details will be provided to students next week.

I am sorry that the majority of parents will have to make alternative arrangements for their children at short notice and for the disruption to their education.

Yours faithfully

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Deputy Headteacher