

30 June 2023

Dear Parents/Carer

## **RE: Industrial Action by Teachers**

The National Education Union has declared two further days of strike action, Wednesday, 05 July and Friday, 07 July 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 was already scheduled to be closed to students on Wednesday, 05 July for INSET Day. However, on Friday, 07 July the School will be open only to all Year 10 and Year 12 students.

Given the staff we are likely to have available, we are only able to provide the programmes of learning to the specific year groups mentioned above. This means the School will be closed 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. Students should attend in full School uniform. Students should arrive by 08:50 and the day will begin promptly at 09:00; additional details will be provided to students next week.

Year 10 will undertake mainly Maths and Science examination preparation. Year 12 will undertake a combination of private study or be taught by their teachers in selected subjects.

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**