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Dear Parent/Carer,

As noted in my letter to you of 27<sup>th</sup> January, the industrial action taken by teacher members of the National Education Union (NEU) will continue on **15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023**.

The effect of the industrial action on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March is likely to be similar to that of the action taken on 1<sup>st</sup> March. Therefore, the school will again be partially closed on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. The arrangements for year groups on **15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March** will be as follows:

- Y13, Y12 and Y11 students will attend school as normal. In situations where Y13 and Y12 lessons cannot take place due to staff absence, students will be able to use the lesson time to revise, complete research or work on coursework/practical projects in the school library or Sixth Form study areas. Where Y11 students do not have their normal lessons, they will be asked to carry out revision and exam practice, and will be supervised in their normal teaching spaces. It is essential that all Y11 students bring plenty of revision materials with them so that they do useful independent work, where necessary.
- Y7-Y10 students will be at home for the day on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. Due to the rules in place that protect staff from being required to set work for the classes of colleagues absent due to industrial action, there will be no expectation that staff will set work for Y7-Y10 students for their 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March lessons. During the day on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March, students can complete homework from Teams that has been set prior to 15<sup>th</sup> March, and Y10 students can revise and work on coursework/practical projects. All students can access online resources such as MyMaths, Seneca and BBC Bitesize. A small number of Y10 students will receive an invitation to attend school for the day, in order to work on key projects. They and their families will be contacted separately.
- A small number of students from a range of year groups will be invited to attend school, where they will receive bespoke support. Families of these students will be contacted directly.

Please note that the school Dining Hall will be open at break and lunch on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March and will be serving food as normal for those students who are in school.

These additional partial closures will, no doubt, be of great concern to you. Unfortunately, in the absence of any clear indications of an imminent resolution to this dispute, the arrangements above have had to be made and will be implemented unless there is a change in the plans for industrial action. If there is any news regarding such a change, I will contact you again.

If you have any questions about any of the above information, please contact me at Farlingaye.

Yours sincerely,



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