

9 March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 11 Students

Strike Action – Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023 – Year 11 Students

Further to my previous communications, I wanted to update you with regards to the proposed strike action being taken by NEU members on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March 2023.

As I have stated previously, in balance of the impact of strike action, the safety of all students and staff and the preservation of continuity of education for our students during this period, remains at the heart of any decision I make with regards to the opening of the Academy.

As with the most recent strike day, my intention will be to try and ensure, at the very least, the attendance and continuous education for Year 11 students during these two imminent days of industrial action. We also recognise that our Year 11 students will be embarking upon a set of PPE examinations across English, Maths, Science and RE which were intended for the week commencing 13 March 2023. I have, therefore, proposed that we schedule these internal mock examinations during these two days, rather than further impacting their lessons. Invigilators will be used to supervise these examinations. Year 11 students have been informed of these arrangements today and individual timetables will be shared with students on Monday 13 March 2023.

School transport will continue to run as normal on both days to enable Year 11 students to access the Academy. The café will also be accessible to students.

We are very sorry for the inevitable inconvenience and disruption that this industrial action may cause. We are doing our best to prioritise on-site education for those students in exam years, and those students with statutory provision according to their additional needs. I will be writing to all Parents and Carers who have children in other year groups later this week.

It is important that we retain the cohesiveness of our school community during these potentially fractious times and to continue to treat each other with respect. We will continue to monitor the arrangements in place and make modifications where possible to improve support for students wherever possible.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



David Wiltshire
Headteacher