

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: NEU National Industrial Action**

Last week I informed you of the industrial action affecting the academy on the following days:

- Wednesday 1st February
- Wednesday 1st March
- Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the union and the government over funding for schools and teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our academy or in our Academy Trust.

We have made the decision to close the academy on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February for Year 7, 8, 9 10 and most sixth form students. We are keeping the academy open for Year 11 due to the fact that we want to support these students as they prepare for final examinations in May. We will also be inviting some Year 13 students to attend specific lessons.

The academy will also be open for pupils who are potentially vulnerable. Our staff will be in contact with you if we feel this applies to your child.

Students eligible for Free School Meals will be entitled to receive a voucher which will be sent out via email.

We are sorry about the potential disruption to you and to your child's education. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our children and delivering high-quality teaching.

Yours sincerely



**Mr A Lawrence**  
**Acting Principal**