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Dear Parents/ Carers

Re: Staff to Strike in England and Wales

You may be aware from media coverage that the teachers' union, NEU, have declared strike action over several upcoming dates, the first of which will take place on 1st February. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our academy. Other teaching unions have directed their members not to cover lessons of other teachers who are on strike.

We are getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible that learning will be disrupted on 1st February. We have completed a risk assessment and are reviewing the options available to remain open in line with health and safety requirements and minimum staffing levels.


Based upon our current estimates of staffing levels, there is likely to be disruption to **Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9**

We recommend that you make alternative childcare arrangements for this date as the academy will unfortunately have to close to some learners.

We are sorry about the potential disruption to you and to your child's education. We understand that this situation may be frustrating and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Our academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our learners and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and we will inform you of the final arrangements, based upon expected staffing levels as soon as possible via Weduc, social media and on our website. Due to the ever-changing situation this may change as late as Tuesday 31st January.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Edwards-Morgan
Principal