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Dear Parents/Carers

NEU Industrial Action Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July 2023

As you may have seen in the media, the National Education Union (NEU) trade union have called for strike action. The next scheduled strike dates are **Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July.**

This union have a number of members who are employed at our school, many of whom will be taking industrial action.

In such circumstances, responsibility for responding to the strike action, as it affects our school, falls upon the Headteacher and Governing Body. Thus, following a risk assessment that takes into account; the number of staff who intend to take strike action and the capacity of the school to cover these teachers - including their teaching commitments, duties and other responsibilities they may have during the day, **it has been decided that the school will be closed to the majority of pupils on Wednesday 5th July 2023.**

Those pupils who should attend school are any students in form groups: 7J, 8E, 9J, the EAL form groups and all pupils in year 10.

School will be closed for all other pupils.

Pupils who are not in school will be able to access work for the day on 'Show my homework'.

Friday 7th July is already scheduled for a school training day so no students will be expected to attend school on this day. The staff training day will continue as planned.

We sincerely apologise for the inconvenience that this will cause, as the school has no alternative given the number of teachers who are likely to be absent on this day. If, for any reason, the trade union decide to postpone their industrial action we will update parents via text message.

Yours faithfully



Mr P Shackleton
Headteacher