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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Industrial strike action – Tuesday 28th February.

I am writing to you with a further update around the ballots on industrial action and what this means for our academy.

As mentioned previously, The National Education Union (NEU), National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT) and National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers (NASUWT) held ballots of their members on industrial action. Following these votes, members of the NEU across England have decided to strike.

The second strike will take place on **Tuesday 28th February**. As a result, we will not have enough members of staff to safely open the academy to all students. We will therefore be open to students in Year 7 and Year 11 only and those on the vulnerable register. Those parents of children on the vulnerable register will be telephoned to ask for their child to attend school.

All other students in Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 must remain at home on Tuesday 28th February. Work will be set for students to complete on their Edulink One account. If your child prefers a work pack, please request this by the end of tomorrow, Friday 24th February. Students who have Free School Meals in Year 8 – 10 can come to the academy reception at midday to collect their food. Again, can you please inform the academy by the end of Friday 24th February if your child wishes to do this.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me or a member of our senior leadership team, and we would be more than happy to speak with you. If you are a parent who is a critical worker, please contact the academy if you need your child to attend.

I am sorry for the inconvenience this has caused and the academy will be open to all year groups on Wednesday 1st March.

I will be in touch again in a few weeks with regards to the third strike scheduled for the 15th and 16th March.

Yours faithfully

C Robson
Principal

