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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Industrial strike action – Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July

The National Executive of the National Education Union has agreed two further days of strike action this term. The days of action will be on **Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July.**

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

The next strike days will take place on **Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July.** 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 10 only, the Year 7 'gold group' 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 7, Year 8 and Year 9 must remain at home on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. Work will be set for students to complete on their Edulink One account. If your child prefers a work pack, please request this by 3.00pm on Friday 30th June. Students who have Free School Meals in Year 7 – 10 can come to the academy reception at midday on each of the strike days to collect their food. Again, can you please inform the academy by 3.00pm on Friday 30th June 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.

If you have a child who is in current Year 6 and will be joining us in September, the planned events for the induction evening on the 5th July and the two full days of induction on the 6th and 7th July are still going ahead.

I am sorry for the inconvenience this has caused and the academy will be open to all year groups on Thursday 6th July and all other non-strike days.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Robson'.

Mrs C Robson
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