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Dear Parent/Guardian

NEU Industrial Action – School Provision – Thursday, 2 March

We have now completed the risk assessment for Thursday, 2 March, and unfortunately, we are unable to open fully to all students. Below outlines what we will be able to provide - taking into account our restricted capacity - and explains what all students should be doing on this day.

Identified Students and Children of Keyworkers

A 'pop-up' provision will be provided for our identified students as outlined in the Department for Education guidance, and the children of **some** keyworkers. These students should attend school in full school uniform, complete with Tools for Learning and congregate in the canteen at 8.40am. They will be taken to a computer room and supervised while completing work and activities directed to other students.

Students falling under the identified category will be invited directly by the school.

Please note, the ranking below for key workers, which will be used if we have to cap numbers due to a very limited number of staff working on this strike day. Please complete the attached Microsoft Form if you feel you qualify for school attendance on Thursday, 2 March. Unfortunately, anyone who's job falls outside of this category will not be able to attend school on Thursday.

1) Health and Social Care

Doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical equipment.

2) Education and Childcare

Teachers, teaching assistants, school support staff - including premises and catering, social workers, specialist education providers, childcare staff.

3) Frontline Emergency Service Workers

Police, fire and rescue, coastguard. If you feel you meet the criteria for a keyworker and you intend to send your child to school on Thursday, 2 March, please click on this link to complete the form, giving as much detail as possible and return it to the school by 9am on Tuesday, 28 February. If we are unable to provide a space for you for the strike day, we will call you by the end of the day on Tuesday.

Year 11

Year 11 students will be expected to attend school as they are sitting their PPE examinations on the day of the strike. When they have finished their second paper for the day (around 1pm)

they will be dismissed for the day and will be allowed to leave site. They should bring their Tools for Learning and students should assemble in the Quad at 8.40am.

Note - Year 11 students should attend these sessions in full school uniform.

For all other year groups, students are expected to remain at home and carry out an independent study day. Resources for each year group will be published on the strike day itself.

Thank you, again, for your patience and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Hartley Headteacher