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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have previously made you aware that there are planned NEU days of industrial action (strike) which follow on from the first day of action on Wednesday 1st February. Industrial action is planned for the following dates:

- **Thursday 2 March 2023**
- **Wednesday 15 March 2023**
- **Thursday 16 March 2023**

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions, and not because of any issues at our school.

I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the next proposed strike day on **Thursday 2nd March**.

We recommend that you start to make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates. We are able to make the following provision for students on Thursday 2nd March 2023 as follows:

- **Year 11 students – All Year 11 Students** are expected to be on site for 8.20am. There will be breakfast served as usual from 8.00am. The exam will be finished for all students between 11.40am and 12.15pm. Students will then be dismissed to go home to continue with revision and preparation for their PPEs.
- **Years 10, 9, 8 and 7** will have remote learning set for them via their year group Google Classroom by Ms Tudor, Vice Principal. This work will mainly be based on lesson materials from the online resource Oak Academy.

For students in Years 7-11 where parents/carers are critical workers (whose work is critical to emergency response) and would not be able to make alternative arrangements, they can attend school where there will be a supervised classroom for them to complete the work set for their year group. This arrangement will also be provided for students who are vulnerable. **Please email emily.tudor@stpauls.greenwich.sch.uk to request this arrangement by Tuesday 28th February.**

All students who are entitled to free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch to take home with them on Wednesday 1st March (the day before the strike action).

We are sorry that some of you may have to make alternative arrangements for your child and/or experience disruption to their 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.

St Paul's Academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and delivering high-quality teaching. We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

Kind regards,

Mrs S Ward
Principal



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