



HIGH STANDARDS, HIGH ASPIRATIONS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS

22nd February 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope all of our families managed to get some time together across last week's break. This term has started strongly within the Academy; Year 11 are onto Day 2 already of their mock exams and are showing a very positive and mature approach to this final opportunity for detailed feedback prior to the full exam season starting next term. Well done to all and keep it up across the next two weeks.

Industrial Action – thank you for the patience and for the support shown by families across the first day of industrial action last term. We fully appreciate the impact this can have on families and, at times, work schedules of parents/carers as well as, of course, lost learning for students. The next scheduled day of action is **Thursday 2nd March** (and then potentially Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March depending on further negotiations between the NEU and the Government). For Thursday 2nd March we have had to take the decision to close to Year 7 through to Year 10 again and maintain some provision for Year 11.

This is because Year 11 will be in the middle of their mock exams and the Government instruction is to maintain provision as a priority to those with formal exams this year. Which exam(s) each Year 11 student is due to have on that day will determine their individual timetable and plan and a personalised letter will be sent to each Year 11 student and family containing the outline of the day for them. This should be with Year 11 students by the end of the week.

Online Safety Information for Parents -

Childnet provides a useful leaflet with information and advice for parents and carers on supporting young people on line. LGfL have sponsored the translation of this into a variety of additional languages, and the pdf files can be downloaded by clicking on the relevant language below.

<https://www.lgfl.net/online-safety/childnet-leaflets-eal>

Once again, thank you for your continued support during this time of disruption.

Yours sincerely

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Principal