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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are well. Further to my letter earlier this week, I wanted to provide you with more information regarding plans for next week. As you know, the membership of the National Education Union (NEU) has voted to take industrial action in schools across the country. This will take the form of strike action on Wednesday 1st February with more dates to follow later in the term.

The industrial action is a result of a national dispute between the NEU and the government and is not specific to our school nor to United Learning. The overwhelming majority of schools locally and nationally will be impacted but each school will have different arrangements for pupils due to the number of members of its staff who are likely to strike.

Following discussions with colleagues, I am in a position to confirm what our arrangements will be for students on Wednesday. This will hopefully give all parents clarity and allow you to plan accordingly:

- The academy will open to Year 11 students and some other pre-selected students based on their educational needs (such as an EHCP).
- The academy will open at the normal time (8.35am) for these students.
- The pre-selected group will be notified on Monday at the latest.
- All other students will be provided learning remotely through Microsoft Teams and will not attend the academy.
- The online learning will reflect our students' normal learning day and will be provided by their class teacher if they are attending work.
- If students are taught by a member of staff taking industrial action, work will be provided.
- Details on how to access remote learning will be shared on Monday.

I apologise for the disruption caused by this dispute and for any inconvenience this causes you. It is unlikely that the industrial action will be called off, but if this were to happen, I will write to you to confirm that the school will be open as usual.

Yours sincerely

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