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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are well. I would like to start this letter by thanking you all for your support with our drive to improve uniform standards. We have been focussing on blazers/ties and the consistency of this in school is nearly perfect. We do have a small number of students who are wearing inappropriate trousers/footwear to school. I would appreciate it if these matters could be addressed to avoid any unnecessary sanctions or further action in school.

I wanted to provide you with information regarding plans for this 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 15th March and Thursday 16th March.

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. Just to make you aware the academy will not be aware of who is taking industrial action until school starts on those days.

Our arrangements for Wednesday and Thursday will be as follows:

- 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 Tuesday at the latest.
- The cast of Annie Jr will be asked to attend a rehearsal, a separate letter will inform affected parents.
- All other students will be provided learning remotely through our website and will not attend the academy in person.

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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