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Industrial action 1st February 2023

Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the teaching union - National Education Union (NEU) have declared strike action, which will take place on a number of dates, the first being on Wednesday 1st February 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the union and the government over teacher's pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements. Aston Manor Academy will operate a partial closure, in which some year groups will be working remotely from home. I am really sorry to have to do this, but we have to ensure that students in school are safe and with reduced staffing, we have to operate with limited student numbers. Please see the overview below:

Year Group / Class group	Learning Provision
Year 7	All Year 7 in school
Year 8	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 9	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 10	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 11	All Year 11 in school
Year 12	Only students who resit Maths GCSE will need to attend school. Students with work experience attend these placements All other Y12 students learning at home
Year 13	Independent study from home





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*Some students in year 8,9 and 10 will be able to attend school. They will come home with a separate letter. These will be students either in a specific form group, or that the Department for Education class as vulnerable. The definition of 'vulnerable' applies to families who are involved with social services and may have a social worker, or students who have an Education and Healthcare Plan (EHCP). If your child has **not** been asked to attend school, but there are significant issues with them learning remotely on this day, please contact their Head of Year as soon as possible.

School lunches will run as normal for all students in school. If your child is working remotely and is eligible for free school meals, they will be able to collect a packed lunch from the canteen on Tuesday at the end of school day.

I am sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and/or that they will experience disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. 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.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Jill Sweeney
Headteacher

