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Friday 10th March 2023

Industrial action 15th/16th March 2023 Years 7 - 11

Dear parents/carers,

The National Education Union's (NEU) third and fourth days of industrial action on Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March 2023. As previously stated, 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 once again getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for the next two days of action. Aston Manor Academy will operate a partial closure, in which some year groups will be working remotely at 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 Wednesday 15 th March	Learning Provision Thursday 16 th March
Year 7	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 8	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly	All Year 8 in school following their normal timetable
Year 9	All Year 9 in school following their normal timetable	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 10	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly	Learning at home students will be set work on Firefly
Year 11	All Year 11 in school following their normal timetable	All Year 11 in school following their normal timetable
6 th form	A separate letter will be sent out to parents	





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*Some students in year 7, 8, 9 & 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, please see the arrangements below.

Year Group	Free School Meal provision
Year 7	Students will be given a food voucher to cover two days of free school meal provision
Year 8	Students will be able to collect a packed lunch at the end of school on Tuesday 14 th March for Wednesday 15 th March when they are off school. Free school meal provision as normal on Thursday 16th March.
Year 9	Free school meal provision as normal on Wednesday 15th March. Students will be able to collect a packed lunch at the end of school on Wednesday 15 th March for Thursday 16 th March when they are off school.
Year 10	Students will be given a food voucher to cover two days of free school meal provision
Year 11	Free school meal provision as normal for both days

Once again, 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 continue to ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. We continue to work 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.

J Sweeney
Headteacher

