

# CITY OF DERBY ACADEMY

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RE: National strike action July

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will probably know from the news, the NEU (National Education Union) is continuing with planned strike action as part of an ongoing dispute with the Government about pay. The planned strike days this week and next week are:

- **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023**
- **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

At the City of Derby Academy, we do have a significant number of NEU members who will be striking, and colleagues in other unions are not obliged to cover for striking colleagues. These factors mean that we will not be able to deliver a 'normal' education or ensure enough supervision to maintain the health and safety of all students. I recognise that the strike action will cause disruption, but it is part of a dispute with the Government and not with the Academy or Trust, so it is beyond our control. The plans for these strike days are:

- **The school *will* be open for ALL Year 10 students who wish to come in.** Although we may not be able to follow their normal timetable we will ensure that there are supervised opportunities for students to continue with their studies and/or complete improvement work after their mock exams.
- **The school *will* be open for our most vulnerable students.** As before, we will be contacting some parents/carers directly to confirm the attendance of their children on the strike day.
- **All students not in school will be able to access remote learning resources at home.** If your child does not have a device at home, please contact your Head of Year or Deputy Head of Year and we will try our best to help. Details about logging into Teams can be found on our website: <https://www.cityofderbyacademy.org/remote-learning/>

Students not in school will not receive an absent mark. All students in school on the strike days are expected to arrive at normal time in full school uniform/cadet uniform. Some students not in school will be receiving wellbeing phone calls during the day.

We will be providing food for all students attending school. If your child is eligible for a free school meal but they won't be attending school they can still collect a packed lunch. Please call or email the appropriate Year Team to arrange this.

Yours sincerely,

**Adrian Harding, Headteacher**

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