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Dear Parent/Guardian

Further to my letter dated 18th November 2022, regarding the strike action being taken by staff in the National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers (NASUWT), I am now in a position to confirm arrangements for the first two days of strike action on:

- Wednesday 30th November 2022
- Thursday 1st December 2022

We have had to plan for a 'worst case' scenario to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students at school, therefore, we have had to assume that staff who are part of this union may choose to strike. As such, I have to inform you that we will only be able to accommodate some students in school on these two days, with the remainder of students remaining at home. Arrangements made for both strike days are as follows:

- The **Specialist Provision Centre** will operate as normal;
- **Year 13 students** will attend school for planned mock exams only as they already have a planned revision week (revising at home);
- **Year 12 students** will attend school as normal and register in the Sixth Form Centre at the start of the day. If any staff member is absent for their lesson, they will continue with independent study in the Sixth Form Centre;
- The **Sixth Form collaboration** lessons will continue as normal and if a teacher is absent in any of the collaboration schools, students will continue with independent study at the collaboration school, travel arrangements will not be affected;
- **UCM courses** will continue to run on Wednesday 30th November. Transport will be provided as normal and parents/guardians will need to make arrangements for their child to return home from school at 12.00pm;
- **All other students** will remain at home and will access learning via Google Classroom. The staff who are not striking will either teach their lesson via Google Meet or will have work set on the Google Classroom. Students must ensure that they are aware of their password for Google Classroom prior to the first strike day;
- Students who are on **Free School Meals (FSM)** will be provided with a packed lunch, which can be collected at 11.00am from the school entrance hall;
- A small number of **vulnerable students** may be invited into school in order to facilitate their online learning.
- **School buses** are expected to run as normal.

If any students are unable to access an electronic device to continue with their lessons remotely, please contact QE2enquiries@sch.im

I am aware of the impact that this difficult decision may have on our families, however, the above arrangements are essential in order to keep our students safe, as we anticipate that a significant number of our staff will not be in school as a result of strike action. I would like to thank you for your continued support and understanding through these challenging times.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Clarke
Headteacher