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Dear Parents/Carers

<u>Industrial Action by Teachers – Wednesday 1st March 2023</u>

You are aware that members of the education union the NEU have voted in favour of industrial action. The second-strike date is planned for Wednesday 1st March 2023 and we are now writing to you to confirm our arrangements for this day.

In line with government guidance, it is our intention to replicate the plans that were put in place for the first strike day and keep The Oakwood Academy open; once again, this will only be for Year 11 and Year 13 students and students who are deemed to be vulnerable (EHCP, Looked after Children and those on a Child Protection Plan).

Please note that the planned Year 11 mock timetable will continue as scheduled including the after-school booster sessions. Also, the Year 11 drama trip to see 'Annie' will continue as planned. Attendance of all Year 11 students is compulsory.

We are contacting you at this time to give you as much notice as possible.

For all other students, appropriate work will be set for the full day on Class Charts.

Lunch will be provided for all students in school as normal. All students entitled to a free school meals in Year 7 to 10 were provided with a £5 voucher at the previous strike day on Wednesday 1st February to cover the cost of a meal on both that day and this new date.

Whilst we are doing all that we can to minimise disruption, we advise you to begin considering alternative childcare arrangements for the following dates -

- •Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

We apologise for the inconvenience this may mean to you and to your child's education, and we hope the dispute between the union and the government can be resolved as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Gilbert Headteacher

