

9th March 2023

Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) have declared two more days of strike action, which will take place on **Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

Alperton Community School will be closed to **MOST** students on these days. We are asking you not to send your child into school on this day **UNLESS** they have been informed they need to sit an examination or take part in a special intervention. Parents will receive confirmation of examinations and special interventions shortly.

We have not taken this decision lightly. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students, and feel that we would be unable to provide this with the staff we have available.

Students will be provided with work throughout the day on google classroom. Please ensure your child has access to a computer or tablet in order to access the work. Students should work at the same times as a normal school day i.e. start at 8:30am, break for 30 minutes at 11am, lunch for 50 minutes at 1:30pm and finish at 3:20pm. Please note that the content of the work set may not match your child's normal timetable.

I am sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and 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.

In order to ensure that school events are not affected by future strike action we have changed the dates of an event for Year 9.

- **Year 9 Options Fair has been moved to Tuesday 14th March**

Full details of this event will follow shortly.

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.

If you have any questions, please mail office@alperton.brent.sch.uk or call 020 8902 2038.

Yours sincerely,



Mr G McKenna
HEADTEACHER

