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21st April 2023

Dear parents/carers,

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You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) has not reached an agreement with the Government in relation to the recent industrial action regarding teachers' pay and school funding. The NEU have balloted members who have voted for two more days of strike action, which will take place on **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our school.

The National Education Union has agreed that <u>students preparing for examinations</u> should have a full programme of education on these strike days. Consequently, the arrangements for students on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May are:

- Year 13 ALL students must attend normal lessons
- Year 12 ONLY Level I and Level 2 students must attend normal lessons
- Year II ALL students must attend normal lessons
- Years 10, 9, 8 and 7 the school will be closed to these students 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 for Years 10, 9, 8 and 7 with the staff we have available. For these students, work will be provided 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.

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











