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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 11 Provision on Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May 2023

I am writing to provide further details regarding the planned days of industrial action.

On both Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May 2023, students in Year 11 should at 8.30 am, enter the building via the doors to the Fambridge Road Canteen and Stage Hall area where they will be registered for the day.

Students will participate in a Mathematics workshop during periods one, two and three on each day. Two workshops will be offered on each day, one focussed on foundation tier and the other higher tier, with students attending the tier that they have been entered for in the summer. The sessions will be organised in accordance with good practice related to revision; there will be regular breaks within this time. The focus of the sessions will be to guide students through how to answer the most challenging questions on each tier, in order to maximise their outcomes in the summer.

The academy is hoping that, in giving additional time to Mathematics, as many students as possible will have the opportunity to achieve their very best outcome in this vital subject in the summer examinations.

For periods four and five, staff who are not striking will be offering bespoke, face-to-face revision sessions. The current intention is that Spanish, Science, PE, Geography, Psychology and Media Studies will be offering face-to-face revision during these periods, with the students having the choice of what to attend. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to participate in a blend of self-directed revision in our libraries and computer suites.

The GCSE Dance and MFL speaking examinations will go ahead as planned on Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May respectively. Students should register with the rest of their cohort at the start of the day, where they will provided with further instructions.

The canteen will be open for students to purchase food and drink at break and lunchtime; alternatively, students can bring a packed lunch in accordance with their usual arrangements. Students should arrive equipped to learn, in full school uniform and with stationary.

This is a normal school day for Year 11, therefore if your child is unwell, you should report their absence in the usual way. The booster session format in Mathematics is based on a model used in many other schools and has been proven to have a very positive impact on student outcomes; we are therefore keen that as many students as possible benefit from this provision.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Baster

Joint Head of Academy























