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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: National Education Union Industrial Action

I hope this correspondence finds all of our respective families as well as you can possibly be.

As you will have undoubtedly seen and heard via the various media outlets, late yesterday afternoon, the country's largest teaching professional association, the National Education Union (NEU), announced it had secured enough ballot papers to take industrial action for a fully funded and above-inflation pay rise. As a result, a number of days where NEU members would be taking industrial action were announced with the first being on Wednesday 1 February 2023. At least three more are likely to occur the following month with these dates being: 1, 15 and 16 March 2023.

It is of course very early days, however, I have already opened up dialogue with both our NEU inacademy representatives and our Senior Leadership Team about how we plan to cater for running the academy on these four days with what will be significant numbers of staff non-operational. Once we know these numbers and have devised our final planning, I will of course let you know without delay, however, this is likely to be the middle of next week.

Yours sincerely

Mr C A Wakefield Executive Principal

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