

Ref: Industrial action

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023

RE: Industrial action on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

You may be aware from media coverage that The NEU have declared further strike action, which will take place on the following dates:

- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions, not because of any issues at our school.

We have been working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation. There is a significant membership of NEU members at Bournville, therefore there will be a partial closure of the school.

- The primary phase of our school will be unaffected. All children in primary will be able to come to school as normal.
- The secondary phase of our school will be open for our most vulnerable students. We will contact the families of these students so that we can plan accordingly. On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, we will also open for Year 11 to support them in readiness for their mock examinations. **We will be unable to open to Year 11 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March as there is also a bus strike which will mean the majority of our students will not be able to attend.**

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\*Please note, that teaching members of staff who are striking are not compelled to set work for students therefore, some remote work will be generic, however we plan to ensure the majority is closely linked to the curriculum and some of the work may also be set by the class teacher. If there is no specific set work for a period, they need to complete the Independent Learning Work linking it to the subject scheduled on their timetable.

**Vulnerable Students**

Definition – Families who are involved with social services and may have a social worker. Students who have an Education and Healthcare Plan (EHCP).

If you feel that your child is in the vulnerable student category and is in Year 7-11 or you would like to discuss whether your child is in this category, please contact Ms K Wheeler (k.wheeler@bournville.fmat.co.uk) so that we can ensure we have sufficient provision.

**Free School Meals**

If your child is working remotely and is eligible for free school meals, you are able to order a packed lunch for Wednesday and Thursday. If you would like to do this, please contact your child's Pastoral Leader by 3pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and the lunch will be available to collect from main Reception between 10am and 12pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

I am sorry about the disruption to your child's education and I understand that this will be challenging and frustrating for parents.

Yours sincerely,



Ms K Cornell  
Head of Academy