



27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: NEU Strike Action 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 – arrangements for the day**

I last wrote to you on 20<sup>th</sup> January to inform you of the planned NEU strike action which will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> February and to notify you of likely disruption to learning on that day. I can now confirm details and arrangements for the day.

The academy will be **partially open** with only the following students expected to come into the academy on this day: All Year 11 students; vulnerable students in other year groups who will receive a personal invitation, and any 6<sup>th</sup> Form students who accept our invitation to work independently at the academy. The academy will therefore not be open to all other students outside of these groups and they will be required to access their learning through our Connect Curriculum which will be on Week 5. Students not in school are required to follow their timetable which can be found on Synergy. They should also follow this link to the Connect Curriculum:

<https://sites.google.com/arnoldhillacademy.co.uk/connect-curriculum-2022-2023/home?authuser=0>

All Year 11, vulnerable students and 6<sup>th</sup> form students who have responded to our invitation are expected to arrive to the academy at the normal time. Year 11 will follow their normal timetable for lessons where their teacher is not striking and, at other times, engage with our Connect Curriculum, revision, intervention and physical wellbeing activities. Vulnerable students will not be following their normal timetable but will follow an appropriate and varied learning provision instead. **Year 11 and vulnerable students are all asked to come to the academy in their PE kit** and not normal uniform as they will engage in some physical activities during the day. 6<sup>th</sup> Form students who have responded to our invitation will not have timetabled lessons but are free to use the academy resources for independent study.

Whilst we are sorry for the disruption to your child's education please be aware the strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our academy. Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards

**Matt Robertson**  
Principal