



24th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I last wrote to you on 15th February to inform you of the planned NEU strike action which will take place on 1st March 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: vulnerable students who receive a personal invitation and all 6th Form students who accept our invitation to attend timetabled lessons and work independently at the academy if their teacher is not present on the day. 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 2. 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 vulnerable students and 6th form students who have responded to our invitation are expected to arrive to the academy at the normal time. Vulnerable students will not be following their normal timetable but will follow an appropriate and varied learning provision instead; these 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. 6th Form students who have responded to our invitation will be able to attend timetabled lessons if their teacher is present and are free at other times to use the academy resources for independent study. For 6th Form students we will notify them in the usual way, on the day, if their teacher is absent, however conclusions should not be drawn for the reason for staff absence as this could be for a variety of reasons.

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