

1 July 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that industrial action is being taken by members of National Union of Teachers (NUT) on Tuesday 5 July as part of a dispute they have with government regarding teachers' pay and conditions of employment.

I can now inform you that the **Academy will be closed only to YEAR 7 students who have recently become YEAR 8 as part of the rollover curriculum (Learning Manager – Mrs Westerman)**. The Academy will remain open for all other students, please note that unfortunately the primary transition day and Post 16 taster day has been cancelled on Tuesday 5 July 2016. Students in Year 7 who have recently become Year 8 as part of the rollover curriculum are encouraged to carry out independent study at home.

The decision to make a partial closure has not been taken lightly and we are doing all that is possible to minimise the inconvenience to parents and carers. However, we have a number of colleagues who are in the union taking industrial action and as such we cannot operate a full, normal timetable to all year groups. We must ensure the health & safety of all of our students and staff.

All staff who are not taking industrial action will be at work as normal and the Academy will operate the normal timetable for students. Members of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) will run an alternative curriculum for students if their teacher is taking industrial action.

No enrichment classes will be operating at the end of the Academy day.

We must all hope that the issues over which the industrial action has arisen are resolved as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully



Lisa Allott
Principal