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**THE BULWELL
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Dear Parent/Carers

Re: Strike Action

Further to our [letter of 17 January](#), I am writing to inform you that the two teaching unions—the NEU (National Education Union) and NASUWT (The Teachers' Union)—have confirmed their decision to go ahead with further industrial action on **Monday 29 January, Tuesday 30 January, Wednesday 31 January and Thursday 1 February**. On these dates, school will be partially closed to students. The arrangements for these days are detailed below.

As stated in previous communications, our focus will be upon ensuring that our **key examination groups** are catered for and do not miss out at this vital time. In addition, we will also be extending our provision to **Years 8, 9 and 10 and the cast of Matilda the Musical JR.** as highlighted below.

On the strike days, the Academy can remain open to the following groups of students only, and the appropriate arrangements will be in place. *Please note the start and finish times at the foot of this page.*

MONDAY 29 JANUARY 2024 (non-uniform is permitted)

- All Year 11 students and all vulnerable students
- All students from 8K, 8N, 8O and 8W
- The cast of Matilda the Musical JR.

TUESDAY 30 JANUARY 2024

- All Year 11 students and all vulnerable students
- All students from 8L, 8E, 8D and 8G and 8B
- The cast of Matilda the Musical JR.

WEDNESDAY 31 JANUARY 2024

- All Year 10 students and all vulnerable students.
- All students from 9K, 9N, 9O and 9W

THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2024

- All Year 11 students and all vulnerable students
- All students from 9L, 9E, 9D and 9G

SCHOOL STARTS at the later time of 9.00am, with a free breakfast from 8.40am. Lunch is provided. Non-uniform is permitted for all attending students on the days above.

SCHOOL ENDS at the earlier time of 2.00pm. Year 11s are welcome to stay to 2.50pm for quiet revision time. Provision will also be made for any other students who need to leave at the normal finish time of 2.50pm.



The school's usual behaviour policy will continue to operate on these days.

All after-school activities will be cancelled on these days.

A separate letter will follow for parents/carers of vulnerable students.

Parents/carers of any students who are unable to arrange appropriate childcare for the four days should email the Academy using enquiries@bulwellacademy.org.uk requesting a place for their child to attend by 7.00am on Monday 29 January.

Students not in school will be expected to continue their learning by accessing the learning platforms on the Academy's website (go to Student Hub and select Remote Learning): bulwellacademy.org.uk/main/curriculum/remote-learning.

For those students in receipt of Free School Meals, a packed lunch can be collected from school for those families who need them. Please complete the online form below to order your child's packed lunch: <https://forms.office.com/e/Y4wytUe8v8>

As ever, we will continue to communicate and talk to staff and Unions in the hope of avoiding any more disruption to your children's education.

Many thanks for your ongoing support during this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Keen'.

Chris Keen
Executive Principal