

[Sent via ParentMail]

8 March 2003

Dear Parent / Carer,

RE: Strike Days – Wednesday, 15th March & Thursday, 16th March

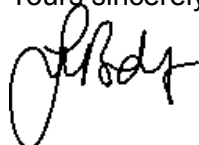
I am writing to you to update you on the Academy's provision for Wednesday, 15th & Thursday, 16th March, when the NEU are taking further industrial action, which follows on from previous weeks. (This decision is in response to the Union's dissatisfaction with this year's pay award.)

Unfortunately, we will not be in a position to accommodate our normal school provision, due to staff attendance. Whilst not every teacher at Westfield Academy is a member of the NEU, there are a significant number. The safe running of the school depends on an adequate number of staff on site to provide the necessary supervision of its students. **On Wednesday, 15th & Thursday, 16th March, we will only be open for Year 11 & Year 13 students.**

- Our aim is Year 11 & Year 13 students will have as "normal" a day as possible.
- Students, from all year groups, with Educational Health Plans will be contacted directly by Mrs Symonds to look at what provision would be available to them in the SEN base on that day.
- For all other year groups, teachers who are not on strike will set work on Google Classroom and will be available for communication with students via Google.
- For parents whose children receive Free School Meals, there will be packed lunches made available. If this is something you require, please complete the form in the 'Form' section of ParentMail by **12pm on Monday, 13th March**. The catering staff will then be able to organise a packed lunch which will be available for collection between 12-1pm on both Wednesday and Thursday from reception.
- All extra-curricular activities that normally take place on a Wednesday or Thursday will be cancelled on these two days.

As a reminder, staff will also be having their training INSET day on Friday, 17th March in which the school will be closed to students. School will reopen as normal on Monday, 20th March for all students.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T Body
Headteacher