

[Sent via ParentMail]

19 April 2003

Dear Parent / Carer,

Strike Days – Thursday, 27 April & Tuesday, 2 May
Spanish Trip – Tuesday, 2 May

I am writing to you to update you on the Academy's provisions for Thursday, 27 April & Tuesday, 2 May, when the NEU are taking further industrial action, which follows on from previous strikes. (This decision is in response to the Union's dissatisfaction with recent Government negotiations.)

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 both Thursday, 27 April & Tuesday, 2 May we will be open for Year 11 & Year 13 students only.**

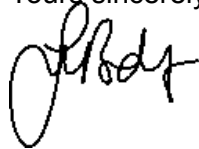
- Our aim is Year 11 & Year 13 students will have as "normal" a day as possible for these two days.
- Students, from all year groups, with Educational Health Plans, will be contacted directly by Mrs Symonds to look at what provision would be available to them in the SEN base on those days.
- For all 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, 24 April** (this will reference both days). The catering staff will then be able to organise packed lunches to be available for collection between 12-1pm on Thursday & Tuesday, respectively, from reception.
- Extra-curricular activities that normally take place on a Thursday & Tuesday will be cancelled on those two days.

Details of our school operations for any further proposed industrial action will be provided nearer the time.

Please note that the Spanish trip originally scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 2nd May WILL be go ahead as planned.

Best wishes and thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T Body
Headteacher