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Headteacher

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8th March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: National Strike Action Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023

As you may be aware, it is proposed that there will be a national strike of teachers on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023.

Every school's approach will be different as it is only members of the NEU Union that are taking this action. As such, there will, inevitably, be variance in arrangements from school to school. I have been informed at this stage that a significant number of teachers are joining the strike on these days.

Based on this evidence, St Damian's will not be open fully as per normal operating practices. Indeed, as before, school will be closed to students (except those who are most vulnerable). However, due to the urgency of Yr11 sitting their GCSE exams soon, I am proposing that Yr11 students are in school, and I will adjust the curriculum accordingly. The expectation is that all Yr11 (not years 7 – 10, except those who are most vulnerable) attend on these 2 days as usual.

School buses will run as normal and food will be available as usual, in the dining room.

More details will follow closer to the time, including whether or not pupils attend in own clothes or full school uniform.

Please note school is closed on Friday 17th March for Staff INSET Day.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Mr Logue Headteacher









