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Dear Parent/Carer

NEU STRIKE ACTION

Last week the National Education Union announced national and regional action in England. This action is targeted directly at the government who has failed to provide a fully funded, above-inflation pay rise for all teachers.

Four strike days have been announced

- 1 and 28 February
- 15 and 16 March

We know that we currently have 50 teaching members of the NEU at Allerton Grange (50% of our teaching staff), and it is our assumption that each member is likely to strike. In addition, we predict many staff will have to juggle childcare difficulties with primary schools closing. We have completed a risk assessment which recognises safeguarding risks as high, as a result we are unable to operate as normal. Therefore, we are making the following contingency plans for day one (1 February).

- Year 11 students have pre-arranged PPE exams on this day. These exams will run as scheduled supervised by invigilators. Once students have completed their exams for the day they will be expected to return home.
- We have planned for 100 Year 10 students to attend the Poetry Live Event at the Grand Opera House in York. We are currently making arrangements for this trip to run as planned.
- All other students will be provided with instructions on how to study independently at home.
- Pastoral and SEND teams have identified up to 50 vulnerable students who will be invited into school to work online throughout the day. These students will be supervised by pastoral teams.
- Arrangements are being made for our Free School Meal students to have pre-prepared meals to take home the day before.
- All these plans will be reviewed, and necessary amendments made to the arrangements, for strike days 2, 3 and 4.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Roper
Headteacher

