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National strike action: Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I write to confirm our school plans for <u>Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023</u>. Please be aware that these dates are the 3rd and 4th of four days where members of the National Education Union (NEU) intend to take strike action against the government over the national pay offer to teachers and the impact this has had on recruitment and retention due to the lack of funding for historic pay increases.

Leaders at Childwall Sports and Science Academy have conducted a comprehensive risk assessment and based on the staffing we have available to us; we have planned the days as follows:

- 1. School will be open to all Year 11 students and identified others that we have contacted in person. Please note that Year 11 students will continue to follow their <u>PPE</u> exam timetable throughout these two days. Therefore Year 11 attendance is essential.
- 2. <u>All other year groups are expected to work independently at home</u>. Below are links to learning with the government-funded Oak Academy remote learning resources for each year group:

Year 7: https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-7 Year 8: https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-8 Year 9: https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-9 Year10: https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-year/year-10

We also recommend that students engage with the 'Be Ambitious' resource that is available to all students for each subject, on our school website (at the bottom of each Subject page).

Follow this link for our English Be Ambitious resource: https://www.childwallssa.org/downloads/curriculum overview/be ambitious -_english.pdf

- 3. **Year 12 and 13 students** that are not involved in examinations are expected to be responsible and work independently at home. Students studying English A Level must attend school for their timetabled exam and will then return home.
- 4. **Free School Meals:** Students in receipt of free school meals are invited to request a lunch bag to take home at the end of the school day on Tuesday 14th March 2023. Please complete this form to allow our canteen to prepare the lunch bags: <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=cnsPij8iGEu-</u> SoihxmoktWd 9Uh0qUFBkZjxi0SHK7xUNFRaMzNFNkYzRU0xQ1lXT00wRzVKMllZQS4u

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ms J E Vincent Headteacher

