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Dear Parents/Carers

Industrial Action Wednesday 5 July 2023 and Friday 7 July 2023

Further to my previous communications, you may be aware the NEU have declared further planned strike action on Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July.

As a school, we have tried to limit the impact of the industrial action on our children and families, but, given the significantly increased potential number of colleagues who will be taking strike action, it is not possible for me to guarantee that we can safely open the school for all students.

With this in mind, please refer to the table below which outlines our plan for the two days:

Date	On site	Remote learning where possible
Wednesday 5 July	Year 7	Year 8 Year 9 Year 10
Friday 7 July	Year 8	Year 7 Year 9 Year 10

It is unfortunate that the dates of the planned industrial action also coincide with two important dates in our school calendar – our Sports Awards Evening, planned to take place on Wednesday 5 July and our Carnival Heenan Summer Fair, planned for Friday 7 July.

At the end of an incredibly successful sporting year, I am unfortunately having to postpone the Awards Event until the new academic year. Details will be published in September. Unfortunately, our Summer Fair cannot be rearranged and so will be cancelled for this year. I would like to thank the parents and volunteers who are involved with the Friends of Cardinal Heenan and who do so much to support the school.

I am hopeful that this will be the last industrial action of the year, as the Government and Unions work to resolve the current national dispute regarding a fully funded and appropriate pay award for teaching colleagues, and will provide further updates as and when I am able to do so.

Thank you as always, for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

D Kelly
Headteacher

