

26th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Industrial Action Wednesday 5 & Friday July 2023

Further to the recent announcement in the press in relation to further Industrial Action taking place on 5th and 7th July, I write to update you on how the Academy will operate. In making our decision we have considered our responsibility to provide a safe environment for our students.

The Academy will remain open for vulnerable students and Year 12 students only on the Wednesday 5 July. All other year groups will remain at home.

- Vulnerable students will work with our Learning Support Team completing homework set on show my homework
- Years 7 8 9 10 will be expected to complete set homework and Year 7 and 8 can use their knowledge organisers to assist them with their home learning; Subject Knowledge Organisers have been explicitly designed to give our students their 'must know' curriculum content. As such it is vital that they learn this information and commit it to memory. There are a range of strategies to help students achieve this, they are in the front of the Knowledge Organiser booklets. Year 7 & Year 8 students should make this the focus of their studies whilst working from home. We encourage our students to practise this information, not just until they get it right, but to practise it until they can't get it wrong
- Parents/Carers of students on FSM will have vouchers provided for use in local supermarkets
- The Bourne Scholars Graduation Event will still take place on Wednesday 5 July at Canford School as planned
- The National Enterprise Challenge Day, in Birmingham, is currently still going ahead
- The Music Recital showcasing students hard work and achievements will still run as planned on Wednesday 5 July.

Friday 7 July was a planned INSET day and will remain as such.

Vulnerable children are defined as those with an EHCP, those currently open to social care, young carers and LAC/PLAC and adopted students. We will be contacting parents and carers of these students by email this week to ask you to confirm if you want a space for your child in the emergency in school provision on 5 July.

On a national level, negotiations are taking place with the Government and the dispute may be resolved in time to avert strike action. If this is the case, then Wednesday 5 July would be a normal school day.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Avoth Principal

