

Monday 13th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware the planned strike for Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March is currently going ahead. If strike action is called off then we will send out a further communication as soon as possible.

I would like to reiterate that the strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teacher's pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

As part of our decision-making progress we have carried out a risk assessment and have concluded that a partial closure of the school is required. On both days, **Year 11 learners and those who have been contacted** that are considered more vulnerable will be able to come into school. We are currently creating a workable timetable for this day as it will not be possible for learners to follow their normal timetable.

Due to the strike there will be no After School Club on Wednesday.

Please note:

- Educaterers will provide a hot deli bag alternative
- Transport know which learners will not be in school
- Food vouchers will be sent home for learners who are entitled to free school meals

Staff are currently preparing work for learners to complete at home and will send this home via email. If you would prefer a printed version of the work please let your child's form tutor know.

I'm very sorry that many of you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Quest Academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our learners and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please contact myself on 01788 593 112 or via email at nicola.wells@macintyreacademies.org

Kind regards,



Nicola Wells
Principal