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Dear Parent/Carer

You may be aware that the latest government pay offer for teachers has been rejected and the National Education Union (NEU) have planned an additional two days of strike action. These are due to take place on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023.

Years 7, 8, 9, and 10 - Students will be asked to remain at home on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023 and asked to study remotely. Teachers who are not striking will provide live online lessons which follow your child's timetable for this day. Lessons can be accessed via our online learning platform – Microsoft Teams.

If a 'live' lesson is not available because a member of staff is striking, we have provided some links below for students to engage in independent study, revision, or research into the topics they are studying.

National Academy: <https://www.thenational.academy/>

BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/>

Get Revising: <https://getrevising.co.uk>

Year 7 – Da Vinci Day at the University of Kent Medway Campus – students in 7J3 and 7R2 are required to attend the Academy on Thursday 27th April 2023. A separate letter providing additional information about the Da Vinci Day has been sent to Year 7 parents/carers. Students going on the trip need to register in the Main Hall when they arrive at the Academy.

Year 11 students – it will be compulsory for all Year 11 students to attend the Academy on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023 as it is essential that they continue to engage with their exam preparations and lessons. Students will be following their normal timetable of lessons with their teachers.

Children of Critical Workers ([refer to annex B in this document](#)) will be able to attend the Academy and will engage in online lessons under the supervision of our staff and follow the timings of a normal Academy day. The Refectory will be open and students who receive free school meals will be provided with a meal. Please also ensure that your child brings their iPad with them, and it is fully charged. If you are a Critical Worker and want your child to attend the Academy on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023, **please contact us using the email address provided, by the end of Monday 24th April 2023** to confirm your child's attendance.

Please provide your child's name, year group and your job role:

Email: KimEdey@universityofkentacademiustrust.org.uk

Vulnerable students ([refer to annex A in this document](#)) and **Eliot students** will be expected to attend the Academy on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023. You will receive a separate letter providing you with information about arrangements for your child's attendance at the Academy. Please also ensure that your child brings their iPad with them, and it is fully charged.

If your child receives free school meals, we have planned for them to collect a packed lunch from the Refectory after school on Wednesday 26th April 2023. Lunches will need to be refrigerated overnight.

Year 12 and Year 13 – will be required to attend the Academy on Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023. Parents/carers will receive a separate letter detailing arrangements for these days.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents/carers of the dates for the bank holidays this term; Monday 1st May 2023 and Monday 8th May 2023. The Academy will be closed to all students on these dates.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully



Jenny Best
**Executive Principal
& Deputy CEO**

