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Dear Family

NEU Teacher Strikes – Wednesday, 5 and Friday, 7 July 2023

You may be aware from media coverage that teaching unions have declared strike action, which will take place on Wednesday, 5 and Friday, 7 July 2023. The strikes are happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our school.

I'm getting in touch to give you inform you of our arrangements for Wednesday, 5 and Friday, 7 July 2023

Wednesday, 5 July arrangements

- Academy is **closed** to Y7, 8,9 and Y10 group **not** on work experience placement Online work will be set by your child's teacher and the expectation is for that work to be completed.
- **Open** to Y6 for Transition Day.
- Y12 Mock examinations will take place. Students need to arrive for examinations promptly and will go offsite directly after examinations.
- Y10 students **on** work experience will need to attend their placements as normal.

Friday, 7 July arrangements

- Academy is **closed** to Y7, 8, 9, Online work will be set by your child's teacher and the expectation is for that work to be completed.
- The rewards trip for Y10 will go ahead. Students are reminded to arrive promptly.
- Y12 Mock examinations will take place. Students need to arrive for examinations promptly and will go offsite directly after examinations.
- Y10 students **on** work experience will need to attend their placements as normal.

For both strike days

- Entrance for students will be through the student entrance on Wilson Road.
- Any students that are in attendance at the Academy should be in full Academy uniform.
- Free school meal vouchers will be issued to all eligible families to cover the two strike days.
- We remain open for children of key workers and vulnerable children. If your child is eligible to attend face-to-face teaching, please click the LINK to register your child for this provision.
- There will be no clubs after school on Wednesday, 5 and Friday, 7 July 2023.

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I'm sorry that 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. Shireland Collegiate Academy and Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

If you have any questions, please contact the Academy on 0121 558 8086 or alternatively via email info@sca.shirelandcat.net

Yours sincerely

Mr D Irish Principal

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