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Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU teaching union have declared further strike action, which is due to take place on 5th June and 7th June. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions.

We are aware that Ministers and Union Officials will be engaging in discussions over the coming days which may mean that the strike action is cancelled or postponed, however as the action is still scheduled to go ahead, I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for **Wednesday 5th July 2023 AND Friday 7th July 2023** should the strike action go ahead:

On **Wednesday 5th July 2023** the school will be only be open for **YEAR 6, YEAR 10 and YEAR 12** students and will be closed to students that are in years (7-9), other than those identified as vulnerable; provision will also be made for a number of children of key workers in years 7 and 8 who have been allocated places previously.

On **Friday 7th July 2023** the school will be only be open for **YEAR 10 and YEAR 12** students and will be closed to students that are in years (7-9), other than those identified as vulnerable; provision will also be made for a number of children of key workers in years 7 and 8 who have been allocated places previously.

The Year 9 RE Trip on Friday 7th July will still go ahead as planned.

The scheduled SMILE FOR JOEL that was due to take place on 7th July will now take place on Wednesday 12th July. On this day students are able to wear sportswear only instead of school uniform and students will be asked to donate £1 to the charity. There will also be a cake sale and an opportunity to take part in a variety of games. We thank you in advance for your support with this event.

In years 7- 9, on this day, we are slightly changing the way that students will access their learning from home. Where teachers are in school, lesson instructions and resources will be uploaded to Classcharts and named STRIKE LESSON, and subject, the date and time of the lesson. For example STRIKE LESSON, Geography, Lesson 1 Wed 5th. Students should access these lesson resources for their timetabled lesson, there will NOT be an accompanying TEAMS live lesson. If a student has difficulty with the set work, they are to email their teacher during the timetabled lesson time, and their teacher will respond. All set work must be completed.

For lessons where the teacher is absent, the students should access the remote learning, as they have for previous strike days.

Students in years 10 and 12 should attend their lessons as normal (including registration).

I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and/or that they will experience further disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and, ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Wood Green Academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and delivering high-quality teaching.

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

If parents/carers have any queries/questions, please contact their relevant year team (see below):

Year 7: year7office@woodgreenacademy.co.uk

Year 8: year8office@woodgreenacademy.co.uk

Year 9: year9office@woodgreenacademy.co.uk

Year 10: year10office@woodgreenacademy.co.uk

Sixth Form: sixthform@woodgreenacademy.co.uk

Many thanks

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