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Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) have declared further strike action for its teaching members, which will take place on:

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over school funding and not because of any issues at our school. Striking is the right of every teacher who is part of a union and is a personal choice, which we respect as an Academy.

I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for both these days. We have been working hard to minimise disruption as far as possible for our pupils.

**On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, the school will be partially open. Year 10 and 11 should attend school as normal. Years 7, 8 and 9 should work from home, with work being set on Google Classroom (this includes yr 9s who have moved to yr 10).**

I'm sorry that, for Years 7,8 and 9, they will experience 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. The Rowans AP Academy remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality inclusive 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 you have any questions, please contact Mrs May on 01634 338803.

Kind regards

Mrs F May  
Headteacher



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