

Kindness









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Resilience

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Commitment

Dear parents/carers,

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

Wednesday 1st February Thursday 2nd March Wednesday 15th March Thursday 16th March

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 Wednesday 1st February and Thursday 2nd March. We have been working hard to minimise disruption as far as possible for our pupils.

On Wednesday 1st February, the school will be partially open. Years 7, 8 and 9 should attend school as normal. Years 10 and 11 should work from home, with work being set on Google Classroom.

I'm sorry that, for Years 10 and 11, that 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.

On Thursday 2nd March, we have our Academic Review Day. This will go ahead as planned and further details will be sent to you about this after half term.

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







