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Changing Lives Through Learning

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Dear parents/carers

Thank you for your understanding during the strike day on 1st February. Due to your support, the vast majority of students working from home were able to access and benefit from online teaching, thereby minimising disruption to their learning as much as possible. Attendance for students expected on site was excellent and I particularly enjoyed seeing how focused Year 11 and Year 13 students were during the day. They certainly made the most of the provision available to them and deserve to be commended for their positive attitude.

The National Education Union is intending to encourage its members to strike for a second time on Tuesday 28th February. Due to the number of teachers that this will affect at West Lakes Academy, **the academy will be partially closed to students on Tuesday 28th February.**

In line with guidance from the Department for Education, the academy will be open for students in years 11 and 13, and those classed as potentially vulnerable. Students in these groups will be expected to attend the academy as usual. Non-attendance will be recorded as an absence and followed up in line with our attendance policy.

For students in years 11 and 13 with PPE examinations scheduled, these will go ahead as planned.

Year Group	Location	Educational Provision
Year 7	Off site	Online learning in English, mathematics & science.
Year 8	Off site	Online learning in English, mathematics & science.
Year 9	Off site	Online learning in English, mathematics & science.
Year 10	Off site	Online learning in English, mathematics & science.
Year 11	On site	PPE Examinations - Revision workshops
Year 12	Off site	Independent Study
Year 13	On site	PPE Examinations - Supervised Independent Study
Vulnerable students & children of key workers (all year groups)	On site	Supervised online learning in English, mathematics & science.

Parents and carers of children who may be classed as vulnerable and those who are key workers will be contacted directly by their child's Head of Year.

The canteen will provide catering as usual for students on site. If your child is required to work from home but usually has a free school meal, a Wonde voucher will be issued to you via the usual process.

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Students in years 7-10 and 12 will be expected to complete the online learning tasks set.

I understand that the strike action may cause disruption to your household but I hope that this information is at least helpful in enabling you to plan for the 28th February. There are two further strike days planned for this term, and I will write to you to share our plans for these later this term.

Yours faithfully



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