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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you and your family have had a restful Easter break and your child has made a positive start to the summer term. Certainly it's nice see too some sunshine and feel some warmth in the air after what has felt like months of winter!

Unfortunately, I write to inform you that the National Education Union has further strikes planned this term. These strikes will take place on the **27th April and the 2nd May**. Due to the number of teachers that this will affect at West Lakes Academy, the academy will be partially closed to students on both of these dates. 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.

The A Level Art exams scheduled on 27th April and the 2nd May will go ahead as planned.
GCSE French speaking exams scheduled for 27th April will go ahead as planned.
The BTEC Business Principles of Management exam scheduled for 2nd May will go ahead as planned.

Education provision on the 27th April will be as follows:

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	Lessons/ revision sessions in English, geography, history, food technology, mathematics and MFL. French speaking examinations.
Year 12	Off site	Independent Study
Year 13	On site	Lessons as normal where possible. Supervised Independent Study. Art examinations.
Vulnerable students (all year groups)	On site	Supervised online learning in English, mathematics & science.

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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. 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 27th April. Information on provision for 2nd May will follow later this term.

Yours faithfully



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