

Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to thank you sincerely for your continued patience and understanding during the recent period of industrial action. I recognise the disruption this has caused for families, and I am grateful for the support you have shown to the school and to our staff.

I would like to reassure you that significant progress is being made in negotiations, and discussions are continuing in a constructive and positive manner. We remain increasingly hopeful that we can work closely with colleagues to address their concerns and secure a way forward that allows our school to remain open and fully operational.

However, due to a planned day of industrial action by the National Education Union, we have taken the difficult decision to close the school to students, other than Y11, 12 and 13, on Tuesday, 3rd March 2026. This decision has not been taken lightly, but it is necessary to ensure the safety and appropriate supervision of all pupils. Sadly, this also means that the Y11 Parents' Evening, set for Tuesday after school, will need to be rearranged. We will be in touch with an alternative date in the near future.

Please be assured that our priority remains providing continuity of education and minimising disruption wherever possible. We will continue to keep you informed of any developments and will notify you immediately should the situation change.

Thank you once again for your patience, understanding, and ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,



Clare Barber
Executive Principal