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Dear Parents/Carers

NUT national strike action Tuesday 5 July 2016

As a school, we will be affected by the national strike action on Tuesday 5 July 2016 and I will not know until about 8:20am on the day just how many staff are on strike and the impact on the operation of the school.

The school will be open on Tuesday 5 July 2016 as normal.

Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 are to come in as normal in school uniform. At 8.30am in order to register, Year 7 are to go to the Hall, Year 8 to the Lecture Theatre, Year 9 to the Gym and Year 12 to the Sixth Form Common Room.

Year 10 students who are on Work Experience will continue with their placement.

Home to school transport and the school canteen will operate as normal. There will be no after-school or homework clubs taking place on that day.

Where the student's class teacher is working normally then their lessons will happen as usual. Where the student's class teacher is taking industrial action then the student will be supervised. The worst case scenario for a student who is in school is that all of their class teachers are taking industrial action and so the student spends all of their lesson time in the Hall or in another designated place. As I have already stated, I will not know until the start of school which teachers will be in.

All students should bring in activities to do that day for periods when they are in the Hall including a reading book and their normal books for that day, and any homework tasks to complete. I will also allow iPods, Tablet PC's and handheld computer games to be in school to be used in the Hall only. These are not to be used at any other time between 8.30am and 2.55pm. Parents/carers need to be aware that the items are not covered by school insurance and are brought in at a student's own risk.

Year 12 will work independently in the Sixth Form Study Room and Library when not in a lesson.

Students with a Statement of Special Educational Needs will be in lessons as normal where their teacher is present. If any of their class teachers are taking industrial action, they will go to Individual Learning (IL) rather than the Hall to be supervised.

Once a student is in school on 5 July 2016, a parent/carer will not be able to take them home early unless it is for normal reasons of a medical appointment or sickness. Parents/carers who try to take students home early cause the office a lot of work and that will be very unhelpful on what will already be a difficult day.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please email them to office@johncolet.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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