

5<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear students and parents

Following on from my previous email of Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November which announced three strike days in late November and early December, I am writing to confirm that the NEU have now announced four additional strike days as follows:

- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025

We fully understand concerns about this year's pay award and the difference in funding between academised and non-academised sixth form colleges to support this, however we are of course hopeful that this strike action will not go ahead if a resolution with the government is found. Any loss of learning can risk impacting on our learners' progress. I would like to confirm that Collyer's will remain open on all strike days and we anticipate that a majority of lessons will go ahead as usual. I know that all our community will respond to any impacts with their usual resilience and flexibility.

Further information about this industrial action can be found by clicking on the link below and I will write again if there are any significant updates to share:

Strike Action FAQs

Kind regards

Dan Lodge Principal