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Dear Parents/Carers,

Industrial Action 26, 27th, 28th September 2023

School Closed to S1, S2 and S3

School Open for S4, S5 and S6

You may be aware from media coverage that industrial action is planned for groups of Council staff in relation to pay claims. This was indicated in a previous letter from our Director of Education.

I am sorry that I must advise you that strike action has been notified for Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th September and the impact means that John Paul Academy will be closed on these days for **S1, S2 and S3** pupils and then open again for all on **Friday 29th September**.

The strike will involve many of our Education Services staff and will include support for learning workers, escorts, administration staff, catering, janitorial, cleaning services and school crossing patrollers. It is therefore not possible to secure a safe environment and provide lunches for all our young people or to maintain continuity of learning.

We have been able to make arrangements for our S4, S5 and S6 to attend school as normal with a few exceptions. Sandwiches will be provided for those who would normally access a school meal.

I am sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Owen
Head Teacher