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Dear Parents / Carers,

End of Term Arrangements: Non-Uniform Day

School closes for the half-term holiday on Friday 17th February at 2.30pm.

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 17th February, in order to help raise funds for the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria: all money collected will go towards this cause. Your son is welcome to wear his own clothes on Friday and make a charitable donation.

School re-opens after half term on Monday 27th February, 2023.

Industrial Action

You will be aware that one of the largest teaching unions, the NEU, has voted for industrial action. This means that some teachers in Burnage Academy for Boys will be on strike on Tuesday 28th February.

When teachers vote to take strike action, other teachers cannot be compelled to provide teaching cover for their colleagues. This is stated very clearly by the Department for Education.

Where a school does not have enough teaching staff available to open to all pupils, the Department for Education has advised that we prioritise opening the school for children who are considered to be vulnerable, the children of critical workers and those taking exams this year.

On Tuesday 28th February, Burnage Academy for Boys will be closed to most pupils.

Year 11 Pupils

Year 11 pupils can attend school, in full uniform. There will be no Y11 lessons taught by teaching staff; however, all Y11 pupils can attend site and will be supervised to complete independent study and focussed revision to support their preparation for GCSE exams.

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If you would prefer your Y11 son to work at home, please inform school by Monday 27th February by using the MyEd app, which is free for families to use. Alternatively, please call the attendance team on 0161 432 1527, option 1.

Vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers

Pupils from all year groups whom we consider would be vulnerable by not being in school, will be in school on Tuesday 28th February. Parents and carers of these pupils will be contacted separately.

Pupils entitled to free school meals who are not in school on Tuesday 28th February

We will provide the equivalent financial contribution for your son's free school meal. This will be sent directly to you, if your son is not in school.

We recognise that parents and carers may feel anxious about perceived disruption to their son's education; however, we will ensure your son has access to excellent materials to support his learning at home on the strike day. We have attached an information sheet for KS3 pupils about remote learning. The KS3 remote learning sheet contains a wide variety of lessons and activities. We would ask that your son completes different activities to those he has done previously.

Pupils in Y10 will be provided with work directly linked to their KS4 courses.

Further strike action is planned by the NEU, and potentially more teaching unions, on the following dates:

- 15th March
- 16th March

We will be in touch closer to these dates, with an update on whether the March days of strike action are taking place.

We thank you for your understanding in supporting our teachers' right to take strike action. It is not a decision that is taken lightly. We have attached a leaflet provided by the NEU, which outlines why teachers are striking.

If you have any questions relating to the upcoming strike day, please contact office@burnage.manchester.sch.uk

Yours faithfully,



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