

24 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

## **INDUSTRIAL ACTION – February and March 2023**

### **Industrial Action by the National Education Union (NEU)**

The NEU has provided formal confirmation that there will be four days of industrial action on 1 February, and 1, 15 and 16 March 2023. The reason given is a dispute over the pay award for teachers for 2022/2023 and to influence pay award negotiations for 2023/24.

Over 70% of LeAF Studio teaching staff are part of this Union and there are a number of teachers planning to take strike action. As a result, I have made the difficult decision to **partially close the school on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February**. This is to ensure all students on site can be kept safe and receive a quality of education.

I can confirm the following regarding this day:

**Year 9 & 10** – On this day students will be set remote learning to complete at home. Only students who are vulnerable, will be able to attend. Members of the LeAF team will be in touch with the parents/carers of identified vulnerable children over the next week to confirm their on-site provision for next week. Further details regarding remote learning will be sent out before the end of this week to ensure there is time to sort any technical issues ahead of the day.

**Year 11** – Will attend school and lessons in full school uniform.

**Year 12 & 13** – Will attend school and lessons with some specialism lessons joint as KS5.

**Offsite partners** - Will attend lessons as normal

We will also email a £3.00 voucher for a local supermarket to the parents of those students who are currently eligible for Free School Meals and who are not able to attend school on the day.

To confirm the dates of future strike action days, they are 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 15<sup>th</sup> March and 16<sup>th</sup> March.

As always many thanks for your support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on [nadine.lapskas@leafstudio.co.uk](mailto:nadine.lapskas@leafstudio.co.uk).

Yours sincerely



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