

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mr P Willerton

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Dear Parent/Carer

Following on from my letter of 21 February, staffing on the next teaching strike day has become even more of a challenge due to childcare linked to school closures, along with an increase in the number of teaching staff who are now part of the NEU union.

Due to these changes, Year 11 will **not** be able to attend for a full academic day as planned. However, as we approach the summer examinations, I feel that it is important to provide our Year 11 students with as much opportunity for revision on site as possible. With this in mind, students will be invited into the academy for a 90-minute 'walking-talking' mock exam; this is similar to the last strike day but will have a focus on Maths, rather than English, and the session will be led by myself.

On Tuesday 28 February, students who are sitting the Maths GCSE Foundation Paper should arrive at 9.15am to be registered at the academy Arts Theatre. The 'walking-talking' mock will begin at 9.30am and finish at 11.00am.

Students who are sitting the Maths GCSE Higher Paper should arrive at 12.15pm to be registered at the academy Arts Centre. The 'walking-talking' mock will begin at 12.30pm and finish at 2.00pm.

A small group of Year 11 students will be invited in for the full academic day to complete coursework in subjects such as Business or Art. The Year 11 team will be in contact with you on Monday 27 February to inform you if this involves your child.

Attendance on Tuesday 28 February, whether it be the full day or for the 'walking-talking' mock, is compulsory and it will impact on your child's attendance if they do not attend. Students will be rewarded with four additional stamps towards the Year 11 Prom for attendance and engagement.

If you have any queries, don't hesitate to get in touch with myself or a member of the Academy Leadership Team.

Yours faithfully

Mr P. Willerton Principal







