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Dear Parent/Carer,

Industrial Action – Tuesday 5th July 2016

As you will be aware from the media, colleagues in the National Union of Teachers (NUT) will be taking industrial action on the Tuesday 5th July 2016.

This will affect different schools in different ways as teachers can belong to a number of different Unions. The action (a one day strike) will result in partial or whole school closures across the country. At Phoenix, we are expecting a significant number of teachers to take strike action. In light of this, the school cannot function as it would normally because it would not have enough teachers to cover all classes or adequately supervise students.

I am aware that school closures inconvenience parents and carers and so I am writing to give you advance notice that due to this industrial action **students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 will not be required to attend school on Tuesday 5th July.**

Students in Year 10 should attend their work experience placement as planned with the exception of students completing their placement on the school site, who must remain at home for the day.

I apologise for any inconvenience that this decision may cause you and for the possible effect that this may have on your child's learning, though as you will appreciate, these circumstances are beyond our control.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Gary Hill

Head teacher