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Dear Parent/Carer

NEU Strike Action – Wednesday 1st March 2023

Due to further strike action by the National Education Union (NEU), I can confirm that on Wednesday 1st March 2023, Hednesford Valley High School will only be open to students in our Complex Needs Department - COr, ISt, NWo, RHu - and to students who have a Social Worker or are post looked-after. This is to ensure the health and safety of students and staff.

Therefore, your child will not be in school on Wednesday 1st March 2023.

I appreciate that this will cause further disruption to many families; striking is considered a last resort, with the intention of trying to improve working conditions for staff and improving education for students. I hope you can appreciate and understand the difficult situation this presents. There will be no remote learning on this day and the attendance for children who are not attending school will not be negatively affected. Please ensure you have contacted your SEND transport provider to notify them that your child will not be in school on this day.

Students who are eligible for free school meals will again receive a voucher for their lunch. This will be provided by our catering company and issued after the half term break.

A decision has not yet been made regarding the future strike dates of Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March 2023. Parents and Carers will be informed at a later date regarding the arrangements for these days.

Yours sincerely

Mr 5 Stokes Headteacher















