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Dear parents/carers,

## Industrial Action: 27 April and 2 May

As you may have seen via recent media coverage, the dispute between Unions representing staff who work in schools and the government has continued, and one Union, the NEU, has announced a further two days of strike action.

There are a significant number of staff at AGS who are members of the NEU. As with previous days of industrial action this year, we will support colleagues who choose to strike, whilst still providing the best service we can for all students.

There will be some disruption in most schools. We will be aiming to minimise the impact of any disruption, particularly for those students who are sitting examinations this summer. Some Year groups will be asked to stay at home on one or more of the days, and their learning will be provided online via live teaching, by teachers who are not on strike. Most students will continue to be able to access learning in school.

After carefully considering the lessons which will be impacted, we have decided to ask students in Years 8 and 9 to remain at home on Thursday (27 April), and log onto Microsoft Teams to engage in the learning which will be provided for them. All other students will be expected to attend school on that day.

I will write to confirm the year groups who will be staying at home on Tuesday 2 May later this week, once numbers are finalised.

As before, if your son/daughter is entitled to a free school meal on any of the days when they are not in school due to industrial action, please do not hesitate to contact <a href="mailto:pastoral@anthonygell.co.uk">pastoral@anthonygell.co.uk</a> and we will make the necessary arrangements.

Staff will be contacting families individually to arrange the onsite support for some students in the year groups most affected by the industrial action.

Thank you for your continued support and for your understanding.

Very best wishes,

Malcolm Kelly

Headteacher