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Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately, I need to write to you again regarding the industrial action planned for Tuesday 2nd May.

Towards the end of the day today, the situation regarding staff who were undecided on whether to take action became clear. You will remember in my letter yesterday, last minute changes were possible.

Unfortunately, we now have more staff taking industrial action than initially thought. <u>Sadly, I cannot open the school to Year 11 on Tuesday 2nd May; Year 11 must therefore stay at home</u>. The cover and supervision of students during strike days falls to the senior team and I do not have the capacity to manage this given the numbers of staff now taking action.

The arrangements for all other year groups are as per my letter dated 27th April, which can be found on the school website via this link: <u>Headteachers-Letter-to-Parents-Strike-Action-2nd-May-2023-27.4.23.pdf</u> (oaklandscatholicschool.org)

There are approximately twenty students who are undertaking their GCSE MFL Orals, **they must still come into school for this assessment**. The exam cannot be rescheduled. Once their GCSE Oral is complete they can go home. Students must attend school in their uniform and if they need to attend school first thing in the morning, arrangements can be made.

Whilst being at home is less than ideal, all students in Year 11 should be revising in preparation for the exams that start on 15th May.

I can only apologise for notification at this late stage, unfortunately the impact of industrial action can be difficult to predict

Yours sincerely

Mr M Quinn **Headteacher**



