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Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately, the government and the National Education Union have not resolved their differences over teacher pay. As a result of this, a significant number of JMHS teachers will be taking part in the strikes which are taking place on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March. The measures we have planned are summarised below:

Wednesday 15 March: Y7, Y11, Y12 & Y13 will be in school; Y8, Y9 & Y10 will work from home Thursday 16 March: Y8, Y10, Y12 & Y13 will be in school; Y7, Y9 & Y11 will work from home

Please accept our apologies that these arrangements have changed since our previous communication. We apologise for the inconvenience caused.

Points to note:

- For the Sixth Form roughly 60% of planned lessons will take place. Where lessons are cancelled, students will be able to revise or study in the sixth form centre.
- Where students are in school but lessons are cancelled, they will be collected from their classroom to do supervised study.
- Where students are working from home, teachers not participating in the strike will set lessons for this day for students to complete at home. The teachers will set this work using epraise.
- Food will be served as usual from the Dining Room for students in school.
 For those students not in school who usually receive a free school meal in year groups working from home, it will be possible for them to pick up a good quality packed lunch from the Dining Room. Please let us know if your son or daughter would like to collect a lunch by using one of these forms:

<u>Lunches Wednesday 15 March</u> <u>Lunches Thursday 16 March</u>

- All enrichment clubs, after school classes and sports fixtures will be cancelled.
- We will provide a supervised study room for vulnerable students and students of key workers for year groups who are scheduled to work from home but who are unable to do so safely If this applies to your son or daughter, please email us at admin@jmhs.hereford.sch.uk at least two days before the strike day.

We do apologise for the inconvenience caused. We understand that for some families and students that the strike will cause serious problems. If you have any questions, please email us admin@jmhs.hereford.sch.uk.

With my very best wishes

Andrew Evans Headteacher