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Dear Parent / Guardian

I write with a number of updates:

1) Bus Strikes

The indefinite strike action affecting bus transport is having an impact on a number of pupils and families. All teachers have updated the work available on TEAMS for any pupil affected. In addition, [the Oak National Academy lessons are well worth allocating time on.](#)

Whilst the main buses which service this area are not currently running, it is worth monitoring the [company website](#) for any changes.

We have considered whether we can arrange our own mini-bus service but the geographical spread of the children impacted means this is not feasible. We continue to look at this solution and we will be in contact with the relevant families if this changes. Heads of Year may also be in contact with some families to discuss possible solutions. I apologise for the tardiness of communication around this.

2) Year 11 Boosters

All subjects offer after-school boosters to Year 11 pupils with your child's class teacher. These sessions are invaluable in providing specialist small group support and opportunities to address specific areas of weakness in the run up to the GCSE exams. I urge you to discuss with your child which boosters they currently attend and encourage further participation. Boosters vary in times, but generally run from 3.15 - 4.00pm nightly.

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| Monday | Option Blocks A and C (History, French, Geography, H&SC, Computer Science, Music, Food, Dance, Textiles, RE, Art) |
| Tuesday | Option Blocks B and D (History, Geography, French, IMedia, Food, Graphics, Sport, H&SC, Art) |
| Wednesday | Maths |
| Thursday | Science |
| Friday | English |

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Given the disruption that all pupils have faced in recent weeks from snow and industrial action and the immediacy of summer exams, we would really appreciate parents making every effort to enable Year 11 pupils to attend boosters where possible.

3) Year 11 Saturday English / Maths / Science or French Boosters

A small number of places remain available for these boosters taking place between 9.30 and 11.30 each Saturday morning. Please email d.chesterman@nsg.kevibham to secure a place.

4) Parents of Year 9s Survey

A big 'thank you' to all those Year 9 parents who have already completed the survey sent to you via Parentmail. Thank you for taking the time to feed back on the work of the school.

5) Easter School

We will be offering morning (9.30- 12pm) and afternoon (12.30 - 3pm) Year 11 Easter revision sessions in various subjects on Monday 3rd April to Thursday 6th April. More specific details about subjects and how to register your child will be sent soon.

6) Year 9 Options

We appreciate so many families attending this week's parents / options evening. The options forms are rolling in and Mr Conlon will soon be in a position to begin finalising preliminary timetabling decisions for next year. In the, hopefully unlikely, event that any option combinations can not be delivered, Mr Conlon will be in touch with any pupil effected, and their family, to discuss.

7) National Tutoring Programme

Thanks to the brilliant engagement of ninety pupils in this after-school tutoring, we will be looking to double our provision from May to support one hundred and eighty children in these online small-group sessions. Please keep an eye out for the opportunity to sign up your child in April.

Yours faithfully

Mr Neil Jones
Headteacher