

# Unity College

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Dear Parent / Guardian


I have been informed by the NUT (National Union of Teachers) that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a strike on Tuesday 5 July 2016. This action is not against Unity College itself but is part of national industrial action organised by the trade union. There is no requirement on unions to inform me of which members of staff will take action, but I have already been informed that a number of our teachers will take action on this day.

Neither the Governing Body nor the Headteacher is legally allowed to close the college 'in sympathy' with the strike and we will not do so. However, our main concern is the safety of our students. We will not be able to adequately supervise students where their lessons are affected by teachers taking industrial action, **so regrettably the school will be closed for students on Tuesday 5 July 2016.**

Unity College will be open as normal for all students, the following day, Wednesday 6 July 2016.

Year 11 have GCSE mock examinations on Tuesday 5 July 2016, these examinations have now been moved to Friday 8 July 2016. On Tuesday 5 July 2016 some students have been selected to compete in the Lancashire Youth Games and a team are taking part in a Debating Competition; these competitions will take place as planned.

Yours faithfully



S. Cryer  
Headteacher