## Lordswood Girls' School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very sorry indeed to have to let you know that we have made the extremely difficult decision to cancel two of our showpiece student events of the term because of the industrial action that the NEU has called following its ballot of members.

The first is the Summer Student Showcase, which was due to be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, one of the days that the NEU has chosen for strike action and therefore a day when our school will be closed.

I am so disappointed to be breaking this news to you and I know that it will be especially hard on all those students who have worked so hard on their preparations and who I know were looking forward to performing so much. Although we remain hopeful that the NEU will call off its plan to strike on that day, it would be very unfair for our children to continue to rehearse and work hard when we do not expect that the NEU will change its position.

I know that tickets have been sold for the event – all money paid will be refunded as soon as possible to those who have bought tickets.

The second event is the visit by Year 12 students to the West Midlands Police Museum on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Again, as we expect the school will be closed on this day because of the strikes, it will not be possible for this trip to go ahead. I have provisionally moved the trip to Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please contact me if you no longer wish for your son/daughter to attend on the re-arranged date.

I would like to re-state my sincere apologies both to you – and in particular to those students directly affected – that neither of these important events will now be going ahead next week.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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