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Dear parents of sixth form students.
For your information, this email was sent to all sixth form students today.

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Dear all

Just to make clear that attendance at demonstrations is not an activity that can be classed as an authorised school absence. If you miss lessons school sanctions will be applied. There will be a number of weekend events when you can exercise your democratic right to peacefully protest. There are also alternative ways of making your views known to politicians, such as visiting your local MP's surgery.

If you have no lessons you are obviously free to make your own decision about attending but I suggest that you discuss this with your parents. The Police have contacted the school about the possibility of violence on the day and for that reason we suggest that you do not attend to avoid the risk of being injured. You must not encourage lower school students to attend. So if you are attending and therefore leaving school during the day I would ask you to do so discreetly.

This is not a political stance by the school but we are not in a position to sanction attendance at demonstrations and we have a duty to the welfare of the students who are in our care.

Mr Wakefield