



27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Strike Action: Wednesday 1st February 2023

You may be aware from media coverage that some teachers nationally are concerned about government decisions about teacher pay rates. It has now been announced that there will be planned industrial action by the National Educational Union (NEU) on **Wednesday 1st February 2023**. There are further planned strike action days in the next few weeks and we will confirm any impact of further closures if and when they happen.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the NEU and the government and not because of any issues at our school.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible that learning for some classes will be disrupted.

Below are the classes that will be CLOSED on Wednesday 1st February 2023:

Year 5 Katherine Johnson

All other classes from Nursery to Year 6 will be OPEN for business as usual on Wednesday 1st February 2023

If your child is in a class which is **closed**, where the teacher is taking strike action, you will need to keep your child at home on Wednesday 1st February 2023.

If your child is in a class which is **open**, where the teacher is working that day, please ensure your child attends as usual. For these children it will be a normal school day.

At present we are unable to give you notice about every class that maybe affected because there is no legal obligation on teachers who intend to strike to give notice to the school of their intentions. We very much regret any inconvenience that this uncertainty may cause you, particularly if you are a working parent/carer.

By 8:15 am on the day of the strike (1st February 2023), we will have placed posters by the school gates informing you which classes are open and which are closed. Also, members of staff will be at the school gates explaining the situation. Moreover, by 8:15 am messages about class closures will be sent out on the school's App and placed on the home page of our school website.

I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further. I hope the letter is clear but if you need any further information, please call the school office for further clarification.

Yours Sincerely

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