

27 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **National Strike Action**

We have received notification from the NEU trade union that its members propose to take strike action on Wednesday 1st February 2023. This action relates to a national dispute with the Secretary of State for Education, and not because of any issues at our school or trust.

Some colleagues within our school are members of this union and therefore the school is affected by the strike action and will lead to the partial closures of some classes.

We have undertaken a risk assessment for the school and to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our learners, only Year 2 and Year 6 will be attending school. It is important that children in Years 2 and 6 attend on this day. The school will be closed for all other year groups.

Any child who is in Nursery, Reception, and Years 1, 3, 4, and 5 and in receipt of free school meals based on low income (not universal entitlement), will be able to collect a packed lunch. Please contact Mrs Rodgers or Mrs Shahen in the school office, no later than 4pm on Monday 30 January if you wish to order and collect a packed lunch for your child.

In the circumstances of strike action, remote learning is not provided for children not attending school that day. However, your child will be able to access the following online platforms:

- TT Rockstars / Number Bots
- MyOn (Accelerated Reader)
- Oak Academy

Further strikes are planned during March. If these go ahead, I will write to you nearer the time. If there are any further developments at a national level, and if strike action is averted in schools, I will write to you again through our usual school communication channels.

I would like to thank you for your continued engagement with myself and the senior team during this national strike action.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Downes Principal

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