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## TO ALL PARENTS REGARDING INDUSTRIAL ACTION National Education Union (NEU) Strike Action on 1st February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) have declared strike action, which will take place initially on Wednesday 1 February 2023 with three further dates proposed for later in February and March of this year.

I am contacting you to give you as much notice as possible that learning may be disrupted on Wednesday 1 February 2023 and depending on the availability of teaching staff, we will be considering several options in response to a risk assessment, which might lead to the requirement to close some classes.

We recommend that you begin to consider alternative childcare arrangements for Wednesday 1 February 2023 in the event that this becomes necessary. At this stage we are working closely with our staff to keep up to date with the situation, and wherever possible to confirm the likely impact of the strike action being taken by colleagues within the NEU.

Equally, we are following all the necessary guidance available to allow us to manage the impact of the strike action in an appropriate manner and to ensure the continuity of normal arrangements where possible. Whilst this matter is out of our immediate control, we do appreciate that this may be frustrating for some parents and carers, and we can only apologise for the potential disruption that might be caused.

At this point, we are expecting the strike to have *no impact or if so only minimal impact which will result in no class closures being necessary).* 

With this in mind, we hope to give you an update to our normal arrangements as a result of the strike action but please be aware that the situation could change right up to the actual day of the strike.

Please rest assured that our priority will be the safeguarding of our children and ensuring our school arrangements ensure the safety of pupils.

Yours faithfully

J. L. Harl

Jane Littlewood Headteacher