



30th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Notification of Industrial Action Wednesday 1st February 2023

As you will be aware from the recent media coverage, National Education Union (NEU) members have voted to take industrial action in our area on 1st February 2023.

The action is not against the school itself but is part of nationwide industrial action organised by the union, to ask the Government to ensure schools are funded sufficiently well to provide a good standard of education for children, and for staff to be paid a fair wage.

There is no requirement for unions or individual teachers to inform us of which members of staff will take action, as there is no obligation on members of unions to obey a strike call. However, I am aware that some staff will be striking. This letter is being sent to you as we now know that there will be some closure on 1st February.

The year groups that will be closed to pupils are:

- Year R
- Year 3
- Year 6

This is subject to change should more teachers decide to strike.

Please make alternative arrangements if your child's year group is closed on this day. Children from these year groups can access home learning via the Oak Academy website <https://classroom.thenational.academy/> We will contact parents of vulnerable children directly to offer them a place in school on this day. If you do not hear from us there will be no place offered.

Children that are entitled to free school meals can be brought into school at the following time to have their meal:

- Year R 12:00 – 12.30pm
- Year 3, Year 6 12.30pm-1.00pm

Thank you in advance for your understanding and continued support.

Yours sincerely

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