



Thursday 26th January 2023

Dear parents/carers,

You will be aware from media coverage and from previous letter sent, that the national union of teachers NEU, have declared strike action, which will take place on **Wednesday 1st February 2023 followed by additional proposed dates on 2nd March, 15th March and 16th March**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and not because of any issues at our school.

We would like to inform you that Crowland Primary School will be closed on Wednesday 1st February. We are asking you not to send your child into school on that date. More information will be sent out regarding the remaining proposed strike action dates.

Each school has had to make an independent decision based on their individual circumstances. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and feel that based on our risk assessment we would be unable to provide this with the staff we will have available.

As a school we are advised to provide care for a small number of children who meet the threshold for priority provision. Such families will be notified by the school.

We will provide lunch for students who are eligible for a free school meal, should they require it. These students will arrive at the Breakfast Club entrance between 12:00 and 1:00 which is on the slip road. A packed lunch will be provided for students to take home. More information on this will be sent out by the front office.



We are sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and that they will experience disruption to their education but we also acknowledge the work of our teachers and all their efforts. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect and due consideration.

In the meantime, we are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and we will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'CW' followed by a flourish.

Mr Craig Winnard
Co-Head/ Deputy Head

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Stav Stavrinou' with a flourish.

Mrs Stav Stavrinou
Headteacher