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Dear Parents,

Strike action Wednesday 1st February 2023

The school has received notification from the NEU trade union that its members propose to take strike action on **Wednesday 1**st **February 2023**. This action relates to a national dispute.

Some staff within the school are members of this union and therefore the school is affected by the strike action.

We have undertaken a risk assessment for the school and to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, the trust and I, feel that it is only safe to open for children that attend Nursery and a small number of children within school. Please note that our normal lessons will not be taking place during this day. You will receive notification by the end of today if your child(ren) will be asked to attend school on this date. If you do not receive a text, please assume that your child will not be expected in school on this date.

Please note that we are unaware of the specific numbers of teaching staff who may be joining picket lines on strike days, but minimising disruption to our pupils who attend the school on those days remains our priority.

Our school kitchen will be open as normal, therefore we will be offering a hot meal to all of our pupils. This includes all pupils who are unable to attend school due to the teacher strikes on this day. If you would like your child to come to school for a hot meal on Wednesday 1st February between 12noon and 1pm, please could you let the school office know by 2pm on Friday 27th January. Parents will drop the children off at school at 12 noon and collect them at 1pm.

We will be uploading home learning grids onto our school website which will provide learning activities for all pupils to access at home. A link to access these grids will be sent out to all parents on Tuesday 31st January.

Apologies for the inconvenience this will cause, however it is hoped that a clear decision will enable you to make plans ahead of the disruption expected.

If there are any developments at a national level, and if strike action is averted in schools this will be notified through our usual school communication channels.

It is with regret that I must inform you of these circumstances and I thank you for your continued engagement with myself and the senior team during this national strike action.

Yours sincerely,

Amy Edwards Head of School

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