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National Education Union Industrial Action

Dear parents/carers,

I am sure you will all have heard in the news about the intention for the largest teaching union, the NEU, to hold industrial action on the 1st February, 1st March, 15th March and 16th March.

The legislation around strike action in schools is complex and has also been recently changed making this the first industrial action under these new rules. In line with these rules, we intend to remain open for as many pupils as possible. We know that some of our staff are in this union and, for the sake of giving you enough warning if your child's class will be closed on the above, I have asked if staff can tell me whether they intend to be in school on those days.

While I can ask them if they intend to strike in advance, staff are under no legal obligation to tell me. They are also legally entitled to change their mind right up to the date of the industrial action. This may mean that we have to change arrangements or information about which classes are closing at the last minute and I'd like to apologise in advance if this occurs but it is not in my control.

It is my intention early next week to write to you again and inform you of which classes, if any, I believe will be closed on the day of the strike and what arrangements will be made for those pupils.

Thank you for your support and patience,

Ed Seeley
Head teacher



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