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Dear Parent/Carer,

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU (National Education Union) has declared strike action, which is planned to take place on the following dates:

- Wednesday, 1 February
- Tuesday, 28 February
- Wednesday, 15 March
- Thursday, 16 March

We recognise and respect the right of staff to take industrial action whilst appreciating the uncertainty this brings for families in finding childcare for children during a strike day.

Information provided by the Department for Education states that where possible, schools are expected to take all reasonable steps to remain open.

**At this point in time, we are planning for school to be open to all children on the 1st February** and we will deliver a range of activities on that day within our usual school hours. We will give you an overview of these activities nearer the time. Kidz Club will operate as normal.

If there is a change to this information as we move into the period of strike action, families will be informed at the earliest point.

Following this first day of industrial action on the 1<sup>st</sup> February, we can then look ahead at plans for the remaining dates.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Lavelle

Headteacher



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