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Dear Parent/Carer,

The NEU (National Education Union) has declared strike action, which is planned to take place on the following dates:

- Thursday 27th April 2023
- Tuesday 2nd May 2023

As you may be aware the strikes are happening because of a national dispute between unions and the government about teachers' pay and funding for schools. We recognise and respect the right of our staff to take industrial action on the planned dates 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.

Our plans for BOTH of these days are as follows:

School will be closed to all pupils except Nursery, Year 4 and Year 6 due to the number of staff we believe will be taking industrial action on that date and having insufficient staffing levels to operate safely. We will update you early next week if this situation changes.

On these days, Year 4 will have their usual lessons which we hope will include their swimming lesson on Tuesday 2nd May. They should therefore wear normal uniform on Thursday 27th April and PE kit on Tuesday 2nd May. If there is any change to this, Mrs Dadswell will let you know via Class Dojo.

Year 6 will have SATs revision activities during the mornings on both days and Forest Schools activities on the afternoons. They should therefore wear comfortable clothing, suitable for outdoors (including appropriate footwear) on both days.



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Nursery will have their usual type of activities with Miss Davies and Miss Robson and should wear school uniform as normal.

In line with DfE guidance, we may be able to offer some key worker places for pupils whose parents/carers fit the criteria on these dates. Please contact the school office by the end of the school day on the 25th April if you would like to request a place and are able to provide the appropriate key worker evidence.

Kidz Club will operate as normal on both days.

As usual please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Lavelle

Headteacher



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