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Re. Strike Action Thursday 27.4.23 and Tuesday 2.5.23

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter is a follow-up to the letter that was sent out on Wednesday 19th April regarding NEU Teachers strike action. There are two planned strike dates, these are **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May.** As a result of continuing industrial action by the NEU the following year groups in our school will be **closed to all pupils except for identified vulnerable children and children of critical workers-who are unable to make alternative arrangements**. Please read through the information carefully as different year groups are affected on different dates.

The following year groups will be CLOSED on Thursday 27th April 2023

- Reception
- Year 3
- Year 5

School is OPEN on Thursday 27th April to pupils in Nursery, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6

The following year groups will be CLOSED on Tuesday 2nd May 2023

- Year 3
- Year 4

School is OPEN on Tuesday 2nd May to pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6

The impact of industrial action means that we do not have the capacity to safely cover teachers taking strike action. As a result, these year groups will be closed. If your child is in the affected year groups and is considered to be vulnerable the school will contact you by phone before Tuesday 25th April to confirm arrangements.

If your child's year group is closed and you are a critical worker (as defined by the Department for Education guidance) please contact the school. Unfortunately, we will only be able to offer places for children where parents/ carers are critical workers as defined and there is no other option for childcare. As we only have limited capacity, we may need to priorities places, this will be done on a first come basis.

If your child is in receipt of a means tested free school meal and is not in school, you can order a packed lunch for collection on the strike days. Please advise the school office or complete the questionnaire on the link below by Tuesday 25th April

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FfwaN1UVQkq1sQQdvamFwnmvrf_TleZMnRZeVc9Ki6xUNVBVV1RaSjBQ SENPM0pZVjNQSVVNN0dLWi4u



Yours sincerely Mr R Chandler

