Thirsk Community Primary School

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Wednesday 8th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re. NEU Members Strike Action -Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023

This letter is to inform parents about the arrangements within our school during next week's teacher strike days. The impact of industrial action by members of the National Education Union (NEU) means we do not have the capacity to safely cover the teachers taking strike action. As a result, the school will be closed to the year groups below on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023:

- Reception
- Year 2
- Year 5

The following classes will be open as normal:

- Nursery
- Year 1-Sutton
- Year 3 -Helvellyn
- Year 4 Scafell
- Year 6 pupils
- Sunshine room --Please speak to Mrs Kennedy regarding the daily arrangements

In the classes that are closed we are required to make arrangements to accommodate identified vulnerable children and children of critical workers-who are unable to make alternative arrangements.

If your child is in the affected year groups and is considered to be vulnerable, the school will contact you by phone before Monday 13th March 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 by Friday 10th March.** 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 prioritise 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.

https://forms.office.com/e/HSedxpTCtw

Yours sincerely

Mr R Chandler Headteacher