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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware from the recent media coverage, teachers from the NEU have voted to strike on a series of dates: 1st February 2023 (National); 28th February 2023 (Regional); 15th March 2023 (National) and 16th March 2023 (National).

Each school's response will be different depending upon the representation of teachers from the National Education Union (NEU). Staff are not obligated to inform school of their decision but from discussions relating to the proposed strike on 1st February, **teachers will be taking strike action and we will need to close the school for the day**. This decision is not taken lightly, it is based on the school ensuring the health and safety of our children and with significant numbers of staff not in school this is not possible.

I would also emphasise that after the strike on 1st February, we will better understand the impact of the industrial action and this will support us in our planning for the subsequent dates.

I appreciate this will be disruptive for families and I thank you in advance for your patience and continued support.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Mr Rumbles  
Head Teacher