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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the largest teaching union, the National Education Union (NEU), has announced that strike action will take place across England and Wales in February and March. The strike is due to a national dispute between the unions and the government about teachers' pay, recruitment and retention and not because of any issues specific to our school.

We are contacting parents and carers now to give you as much notice as possible that learning may be disrupted on the dates below:

- Wednesday 1st February
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March
- Wednesday and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March

The union has confirmed that the action on 1<sup>st</sup> February will definitely be going ahead. At present, we are unsure to what extent the strike will affect our school. While we are putting in place contingency plans as far as we can, it may be necessary to close the whole school or some classes at short notice on these days and we therefore **recommend that you start to make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates.** 

We are sorry about any potential disruption to you and to your child's education. We understand that this situation may be frustrating, and we thank you for your patience and understanding. We are sure that all members of our school community will continue to treat each other with kindness and respect. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.



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We are working closely with our staff to keep up to date with the situation, and we will inform you of the final arrangements as soon as possible. Please note that this could be as late as the morning of the strike itself.

We are doing all that we can to ensure that the Year 2 residential trip 'Teddies on Tour' is able to go ahead on 1-2 March.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Best wishes

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