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## Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may already know, the National Education Union (NEU) is taking further industrial action on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. This action will mean that some classes across the school will be closed. Please be aware that the closure of a class does not necessarily indicate that a teacher is striking. Staff may be required to take a leave of absence for various reasons – including if their own child's school is affected by strike action.

Class	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
EYFS/Year 1 Hedgehogs	Open	Open
(Mrs Hagger)		
EYFS/Year 1 Squirrels	Open	Open
(Mrs Sukennikova)		
EYFS/Year 1 Butterflies	Closed	Closed
(Miss Brandon/Mrs Crooks)		
Year 2/3 ACu	Closed	Closed
(Mrs Cumiskay)		
Year 2/3 KP	Open	Open
(Mrs Page)		
Year 2/3 JW	Closed	Closed
(Miss Wilkinson)		
Year 4/5 ACo	Closed	Closed
(Mrs Combey)		
Year 4/5 JM	Open	Closed
(Miss Mehta)		
Year 4/5 EJ/KC	Open	Open
(Miss Jordan and Mrs Chapman)		
Year 6 (JH)	Open	Open
(Miss Hall)		
Year 6 (PP)	Open	Open
(Mrs Press)		



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Breakfast and after-school club will remain available for those pupils who are in school.

We recognise that there will be families where some children will be in school while siblings are at home. While we understand this is challenging, we can only open classes where we have the necessary staffing.

Families of children in closed classes whom we have identified as vulnerable will be contacted separately to discuss the possibility of on-site provision.

We are aware that there are several families where parents work in critical roles who might require emergency on-site provision. If you work in the emergency services (police, fire, ambulance) or in a patient-facing medical role (nurse, doctor, occupational therapist, etc.) and have no alternative childcare available, please complete this <u>form</u>. If you have more than one child in school, you will need to complete a separate form for each. We will endeavour to make provision for those pupils who meet the above criteria but can only do so if we have sufficient staff to provide safe supervision. Please note that this is provision for those in critical roles who cannot make alternative childcare arrangements.

## The Year 6 production of 'The X-Factory' on 5th July will go ahead as planned.

We are communicating with you as far in advance as possible, but this does mean that we may need to change these arrangements at short notice. This is because of the nature of industrial action and the possibility that other factors will change on or before the days that action is being taken.

Remote learning will be set for pupils who are not in school and delivered via email to parents and carers on the evening before the day of the strikes. We recognise that it will be challenging for some families to complete this work, but it is available for those who can.

If your child is entitled to a Free School Meal (not a universal infant free school meal) please can you email the office as soon as possible if you would like to collect a packed lunch from school. These will be available to collect during lunchtime.

All school staff hugely regret the continued disruption to the education of our pupils and the significant inconvenience and impact on parents and their work commitments. This is a national dispute between the education unions and the government and we are all doing our very best to navigate our way through this latest challenge.

Yours faithfully

Steve Snelson

**Executive Headteacher** 

