



Dear parents and carers,
8th March 2023

Good afternoon, you will be aware from previous emails and media coverage that further industrial, strike action, by the NEU is planned for **Wednesday, March 15th and Thursday, 16th March.**

Having considered all the information and having discussed the matter with the Chair of Governors, I have taken the decision that **the school will be closed to all pupils on those two days.**

Once again, this is not a decision I have taken lightly. Nor do I underestimate the further disruption that will be caused. However, based on the information available to me, it is my view that I will not be able to operate the school site safely for pupils on that day. I do hope that by informing parents and carers in a timely manner it will help parents/carers to make arrangements around childcare.

The school site **will** be open for staff who are not taking strike action. All those staff not taking strike action will be expected to attend school to carry out work commensurate with their usual roles.

Please note that the school **will not** be operating a 'care hub' type facility on that day. **Nor will teaching be provided online on that day.** The school will operate as normal from Friday 17th March 2023.

Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Kind regards

Dave Williams