



Dear parents and carers,

17th February 2023

Good morning, you will be aware from previous emails and media coverage that further industrial, strike action, by the NEU is planned for **Thursday, March 2nd 2023**.

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 that Thursday**.

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.

The following scheduled event **will take place** as calendared:

- **The school St David's Trip to Disneyland Paris will proceed as normal.** Pupils who are involved in the trip cannot attend school on that day. However, they should arrive at school at the time allocated (**4:15pm**) in order to meet the coaches that will transport them to Paris.

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 3rd March 2023**.

Can I remind parents and carers that further industrial action is planned for Wednesday March 15th and Thursday March 16th 2023. I will update carers and parents closer to those dates.

Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Kind regards

Dave Williams