



Headteacher
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Friday 29th June 2023

INDUSTRIAL ACTION (by the National Education Union) – NOTICE OF PART CLOSURE OF OUR SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

What is happening?

The National Education Union (NEU), the largest union representing teachers, has announced two more days of strike action in July. These strike days are:

- **Wednesday 5th July 2023**
- **Friday 7th July 2023**

What does this mean for our school?

Although the NEU have encouraged a no notice strike action, most of our school's NEU members have wanted to give some notice to allow time for parents to organise childcare arrangements where required. With the information given to us, so far, we know the following:

- Reception class will be OPEN on BOTH days (Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July).
- Year 1 class will be CLOSED on BOTH days (Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July).
- Year 2 class will be CLOSED on Wednesday 5th July. We do not know yet about Friday 7th July.
- Year 3 class will be CLOSED on Wednesday 5th July and OPEN on Friday 7th July.
- Year 4 class will be OPEN on Wednesday 5th July and PART DAY CLOSURE on Friday 7th July (see swimming details below).
- Year 5 class will be OPEN on BOTH days (Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July).
- Year 6 Hornbeam class will be CLOSED on Wednesday 5th July and OPEN on Friday 7th July.
- Year 6 Oak class will be CLOSED on Wednesday 5th July. We do not know yet about Friday 7th July.

If any of the above information changes, I will of course let you know immediately.

How will this affect Shine Clubs?

We expect Shine Clubs to remain open for any pupils registered in classes that are open on the strike day.

How will this affect the School Fayre on Friday 7th July?

As the fayre is run by the PTA, it will continue as planned. However, with limited staff numbers helping out, please do contact your class PTA representative if you can support in any way.

How will this affect the Year 6 production to parents on Friday 7th July?

We hope the event will continue as planned. However, if Oak class does close on the day, then we will need to reschedule. A provisional date has been set for Friday 14th July (same session times) if we do need to reschedule.

How will this affect the Year 4 swimming lesson on Friday 7th July?

We will have capacity to supervise Year 4 for their last swimming lesson. However, Year 4 will need to be collected from school at 1pm, as no 'teacher' will be available from this time.

I understand the disruption that strike days bring, however, I'd like to thank our teaching staff for giving us prior notice of their intentions to take strike action or not, in what is supposed to be a 'no notice' strike action.

Yours sincerely,
Mr D. Bateman
Headteacher