



Dear parents and carers,

8th February 2023

Good afternoon. You will be aware from my previous email that further industrial, strike action, by the NEU is planned for next **Tuesday, February 14th 2023**.

No agreement has been made between the parties concerned and, at this time, strike action is likely to take place on that day. Should circumstances change then we will contact parents and carers immediately.

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 Tuesday 14th February 2023**.

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 child care.

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 and will 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 Wednesday February 15th 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