

19th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

You will be aware that the National Education Union has declared several days of strike action, starting with a national strike on Wednesday 1st February. Three further strike days will affect London schools: Thursday 2nd March, Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March 2023.

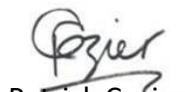
The action is a result of the national dispute between the NEU and the government over the terms and conditions of service for teachers and support staff and the funding of any pay awards and follows a ballot that was undertaken at the end of last year. We sincerely hope that a solution will be reached before the strikes begin, but we do need to make plans in case the dispute remains unresolved.

Whilst we are currently exploring all options, I do recommend that families explore alternative childcare arrangements for the strike dates. We know that learning will be disrupted if the strikes go ahead, and there is certainly a possibility that we may have to close, or partly close the school.

We will, of course, inform you of our final plans as soon as we possibly can.

With thanks for your continued support

Yours faithfully,



Patrick Cozier
Headteacher

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