



Thursday 25 January 2023

IMPORTANT: National Teacher Strike Action

Dear Parents and Carers

As I am sure you are aware, the NEU (National Education Union) have announced that their members have voted to take part in national strike action. The first strike is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 1 February 2023**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over years of below inflation pay awards and the fact that school funding is being seriously and significantly affected by the policy of the current government.

Several members of our school community have made the decision to strike. As a school and a Trust, we support our colleagues right to make this decision and, as a result, the following classes will be closed on Wednesday 1 February next week:

- Year 1 Bears Class
- Year 1 Otters Class
- Year 2 Frogs Class

All other classes will remain fully open and children should attend school as normal.

For children in the classes affected by the closure, remote learning can be found via the Oak National Academy website. Please [click here](#) to access this resource. For children entitled to benefit-related free school meals, we are in discussions with Whole School Meals regarding how meals can be provided and will be in touch as soon as possible with further details.

The NEU has indicated that they will continue strike action for a further three days after this first strike. Further strike dates have been arranged on Thursday 2 March and Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March. Please make a note of these dates now and I will write to you in advance of each date to confirm any changes to arrangements and whether the strike is going ahead.

On behalf of the staff team at Warden House, I thank you for your understanding with regards to this matter.

Yours faithfully

Mr Rob Hackett