

## **Atlantic** Academy Portland

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Dear Parent/ Carers

## **Strike Action**

You will have heard much in the press that members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted for strike action, with the first day of such action scheduled for 1 February 2023.

There are a number of teaching unions and so far, only the National Education Union have voted to strike. Other unions are proposing to re-ballot and we are keeping a close eye on the outcomes of their consultations. We are currently assessing the impact strikes may have on the school and will write to you as soon as possible to let you know what arrangements we will need to make.

It is important to note that the strike action may necessitate the school limiting attendance to only vulnerable children and children of critical workers. No decision has been taken yet, but in order to inform our planning, we are gathering the names of students who have at least one parent/carer who is a critical worker.

Please complete the online form if at least one parent or carer is a critical worker and you would like to access school provision in the event that we need to limit attendance on the strike days. The form can be found by clicking this link: <u>Here</u>

## Proposed NEU strike action days:

- February 1: all eligible members in England
- March 2: London, South East and South West Regions
- March 15: all eligible members in England
- March 16: all eligible members in England

In the weeks ahead, we will do our best to keep you informed in regards to strike action on our students and their families, and we will be in contact with further information as and when available.

Kind regards

Mrs Bishop Principals Miss Heppell













