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Dear Parent/ Carers

Strike Action 5th July and 7th July

We are sure you are already aware that the next round of industrial action by the NEU will be going ahead on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July 2023. We had hoped to be able to accommodate more students in school, but with the possible number of staff taking action this is just not going to be possible. Therefore, we will only be able to partially open the school on both **Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July for Years 5 and 6 only**.

We are sorry if this presents a problem to parents of students in other year groups. We do understand that this decision may cause some difficulties to some families and we have not taken this decision lightly.

Should the strike action be cancelled, we will write to you to explain that school will continue as normal. We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and we will inform you if there are any changes to these plans as soon as possible.

For students who will remain at home, on-line platform will be available. Parents of students who have been asked to remain at home and are in receipt of free school meals (FSM) will receive a supermarket voucher by email on the day; Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July.

To support Secondary Sports Day going ahead we have moved the date to Thursday 6th July, from the original Friday 7th July.

We continue to recognise and respect the right of our staff to take part in industrial action and ask that all members of our community continue to treat each other with respect. We understand that the situation may be frustrating and thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Bishop
Principals

Miss Heppell

