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Continued Strike Action by Members of the National Education Union

Dear Parents,

You may be aware that the dispute between the teaching unions and the Department for Education in relation to the underfunding of school budgets and teacher pay has not been resolved. The next planned strike date for this area is Tuesday 28th February.

Where teachers are following union advice and taking strike action, we will not be able to cover their absence. Therefore, on **Tuesday 28th February** the following classes will be closed:

- Class 1 (Reception) – Morning Closure Only
- Class 3 (Years 3 and 4) – Morning Closure Only
- Class 4 (Years 5 and 6)

Class 2 will remain open and pupils in this class should attend as normal. Classes 1 and 3 will be open for the afternoon so children can attend in the afternoon from 1.00pm. Children in these classes should enter school via the office door from 12.45pm.

Where classes are closed, home learning will not be provided by school, as the members of staff will be striking. If families wish, they could use any available time to complete homework, reading books and look at other online learning which is available. This may include online learning from the Oak Academy or the BBC schools website.

Possible disruption is expected on other affected days in the coming weeks. This may affect the same classes or others. As soon as details are confirmed, we will let you know. We regret the inconvenience that this will cause to families, and sincerely hope that, by providing notice you will be able to make alternative arrangements.

We hope that the dispute between unions and the Department for Education can be resolved speedily so that this is the last time classes will be disrupted in this way.

Mr A. Ratcliffe
Headteacher

