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Dear Parent/Carer

To: all Parents/Carers

Re: Industrial Action - Wednesday 1 February 2023

As you may already be aware, the largest teaching union, NEU, is intending to take the first day of industrial action on Wednesday 1 February 2023. They are doing this because of teacher pay and conditions but also the lack of funding being provided to schools.

As we do not know which members of staff are striking (they are under no obligation to share this with the employer prior to the days of industrial action) we are limited in how we can safely plan for the day. Therefore, we wanted to provide you with as much notice as possible so you can make necessary plans for the day.

The school will be **shut to all students** with the following exceptions:

- All Year 11 students
- All students who get a free school meal
- A small group of students whose families will be contacted directly to invite them in

Should a child arrive at school who does not fall under one of these categories then we will send them home.

For those students attending school we will do our best to ensure they have an appropriate level of education that day.

For those that cannot attend school we will be providing work to be done at home, details of this will be sent closer to the time.

Should the situation change at any point we will update you.

With best wishes

Dr R Harris Headteacher

