



10th March 2023

Dear Parent or Carer,

You may have heard on the news that the National Education Union (NEU) has balloted their members for Industrial Action due to the erosion of teacher's pay and conditions over the last 12 years. A number of our teaching staff are members of the NEU so will be taking strike action on the following dates:

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Thursday 2nd March 2023

Wednesday 15th March 2023

Thursday 16th March 2023

This means that **the school will be closed for all classes on Wednesday, 15th March 2023**. We will confirm which classes, if any, will be open on Thursday, 16th March 2023.

If we are asking your child not to attend school, I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and that they will experience disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community to continue to treat each other with respect.

Although the school will be closed to all children on Wednesday 15th March, we will be open between 12.00pm and 1:00pm for you to pick up a hot, cooked lunch to take away. Please complete the form on the back of this letter, if you would like a take away lunch for your child, and return it to the school by Monday 13th March.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives and Hackney Education to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

I will, of course, contact parents and carers to remind you of the strike action and school closure via text and email, and will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible about arrangements for future days of strike action.



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