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24th January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Keeping you in the Picture - Strike Action by Teachers Update - Wednesday 1st February

Thank-you to everyone who has responded to our letter introducing changes in arrangements due to teachers' strike action taking place next week.

As a result of you getting in touch we can confirm arrangements for Wednesday 1st February as follows:-

- The Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 will be open and operate as normal.
- Children of key workers from Years 3 6, together with those recognised as vulnerable will spend the day with Mrs Russell in the Year 4 classroom. All places requested have been provided for if your child in Key Stage 2 has a place in provision on 1st February we will text you to confirm this shortly.
- The school day will begin and end as normal with lunches taking place as they do every day.
- Our after-school club run by Premier Sports will not take place.

For those in Years 3-6 staying at home

Packed lunches will be provided for all those who qualify for free school meals and are having to stay at home. A choice of a ham or cheese packed lunch will be available and may be collected from the reception desk at any time on 1st February. Should you wish to order a packed lunch for your child, please use the School Gateway app payments link to request and choose your preferred lunch ahead by Monday 30th January. Click on payments/FSM Packed lunch 1/2/2023 and write cheese or ham in the comments box.

Ahead of their strike action, we are grateful that teachers not present on 1st February will be talking to children about learning that they can do at home, some of which may be presented online. Do talk to your child or their teacher as the day gets closer so that you are clear about how your child can engage with learning at home. Be assured that there will be no expectation of either you or your child in relation to this learning – we understand the challenge presented by school provision not being available to you and do not wish to add further unnecessary pressure to this situation.

Thank-you for all of your support and understanding as we manage what is an unusual but significant day for schools, children and families across the country. Should you have any questions ahead of the strike day please feel comfortable talking to your child's teacher or by getting in touch with us in the usual ways.

Yours sincerely,

Scott Hampton Acting Headteacher