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Possibility of Strike Action

Dear Parents/Carers,

I write to you today with an important update regarding national strike action, that may affect Longmeadow Primary School next week.

We are strongly advising all parents/carers to plan for alternative childcare on the dates listed in this letter.

As mentioned yesterday, you may be aware that the National Education Union (NEU), have declared strike action.

Their identified dates are... **1st February ,1st March, 15th March, and 16th March 2023.**

The first of these dates is indeed next week (next Wednesday).

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government - over national pay scales and not because of any issues at our particular school.

We are getting in touch because learning is highly likely to be very disrupted on these dates.

We're considering every possible option, including, sadly, the probability of closing the school.

As a result, we highly recommend that you make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates as a matter of urgency.

I am so sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education. I understand that this situation may be incredibly frustrating and ask that all members of our fantastic school community continue to treat each other with care and respect at this incredibly difficult time.

Longmeadow remains fully committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and in delivering high-quality teaching/learning.

We are working closely with union representatives, to keep up to date with the situation and see if we will be able to avoid closure, and I will inform you of the final arrangements as soon as an accurate picture has been ascertained – but this will, sadly, not be until after the weekend.

Please do organise alternative childcare arrangements for the days listed here...

...**1st February ,1st March, 15th March, and 16th March 2023.**

If you have any questions, please do contact the school office.

Kind regards,

Mr T Mills-Bishop
Executive Headteacher
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