



# Longmeadow Primary School

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## Possibility of Strike Action

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union, (NEU) have declared strike action, which will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March.

The first of these dates is 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 to give you as much notice as possible that 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 start to 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 delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with union representatives, to keep up to date with the situation and see if we will be able to avoid a 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.

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

Kind regards,

Mr T Mills-Bishop

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