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Friday 10th March 2023

Industrial Action – Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, the NEU (National Education Union) have declared industrial action for teaching staff. The strike action is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

The next dates for strike action are Wednesday 15th March 2023 and Thursday 16th March 2023.

This action will have an impact on Ox Close Federation and will result in a partial closure for the Primary.

The following classes will be affected:

RC – Mr Crowther's Class	Wednesday 15th March – OPEN AS NORMAL Thursday 16th March – CLOSED ALL DAY
RP – Mrs Paxton's Class	Wednesday 15th March – PARTIAL CLOSURE Children in RP can come into school from 11:30am. They will have lunch in school as normal. Thursday 16th March – CLOSED ALL DAY
5C – Mrs Cox's Class	Wednesday 15th March - CLOSED ALL DAY Thursday 16th March - PARTIAL CLOSURE Children in 5C can come into school from 12:15pm. They will have lunch in school as normal.
6P – Mrs Payne's Class	Wednesday 15th March - PARTIAL CLOSURE Children in 6P can come into school from 12:15pm. They will have lunch in school as normal. Thursday 16th March - CLOSED ALL DAY

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NURSERY AND ALL OTHER PRIMARY CLASSES WILL REMAIN OPEN AS USUAL.

I am grateful to the staff involved for sharing their intentions with me, as they are not legally required to do this and it has meant that we can inform you prior to the day. I must also state that changes may occur to other classes, but I will inform of these as I become aware.

I fully appreciate the difficulties this decision will present to many parents/carers. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, however I ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect.

As noted, there are further strike dates planned, however as the situation is an evolving one, I will write to you at each point to inform you of the plans.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Miss A Bowden
Deputy Executive Headteacher