



# Kingsham Primary School

21<sup>st</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am sure you have seen in the press, the National Education Union (NEU) have confirmed they are intending to take strike action. The dispute is with the government but, as it is the largest teaching union, this will have an impact on our school on the following dates:

- Wednesday, 1 February
- Thursday, 2 March
- Wednesday, 15 March
- Thursday, 16 March

This letter is to provide you with advanced notice about the first day of strike, 1 February, as your child's learning is likely to be disrupted on this day.

We are working hard on contingency plans to have partial opening, if we are unable to fully open for all children. Education is the priority that will inform our plans and I will write again by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January to advise you further. However, due to the nature and law around industrial action, you should be aware that we may not be in a position to inform you of final arrangements until much closer to the day, or potentially even on the strike day itself. Paramount is the health and safety of all our children, young people and colleagues which will come first in our decision making.

In my letter next week, I will also confirm whether the breakfast club and after school club will be affected on 1 February.

As a precautionary measure, we would ask that you consider alternative childcare arrangements now for the 1<sup>st</sup> February, should we be in a situation where we have no option but to partially or fully close the school.

We recognise and respect the right of our staff to take part in industrial action and ask that all members of our community continue to treat each other with respect during this period of strike action.



Thank you for your support and understanding during this challenging time and if you have any questions or concerns, please speak to me in the first instance.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Lee Dallinger'.

Mr Lee Dallinger  
Headteacher