



Date 30/1/23

## Strike Action Update

Dear Parents/carers,

As you will be aware from my previous letter, the National Education Union, will be taking industrial action on a series of days this term.

The action will result in class or whole school closures across the country and teachers at The Firs will be taking industrial action on:

**Wednesday 1st February** and  
**Wednesday 15th March**

I explained in my previous letter that as nearly all the teaching staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to close the school to most pupils but we will be able to remain **open partially** for the children whose parents have **already** contacted us regarding their eligibility as 'Critical Workers'.

Please note that Saplings will be **unaffected** by this and will open normally on these two days.

Kids' Club will also be **open** before and after school and we are expecting that any children attending school that day, who already use KC, will be there as normal. We are expecting however, that most parents / carers, whose children will **not** be attending will **not** want to use their normal KC place and so we intend to offer a credit note for the time missed. Parents / carers will not need to do anything as we will process this and issue your credit note for you.

We are aware that school closures inconvenience parents and carers however and so I am writing to give you as much advance notice as possible of the likely impact of the action on the school.

We have also identified, as per Government guidance, a small number of children who we would like to offer a place to on the two days and we will be contacting those parents / carers today about this.

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Obviously lost learning time is a concern and these are very difficult circumstances to manage and I would like to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam J.G. Campbell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear, legible font.

Adam J.G. Campbell  
Headteacher