



# Wordsworth Primary School

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24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Notification of Industrial Action during March 2023

As you will be aware from the recent media coverage, National Education Union (NEU) members have voted to take industrial action in our area on:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023
- 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023
- 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

The action (a series of one day strikes) is not against the school itself but is part of industrial action organised by the union.

There is no requirement for unions to inform us of which members of staff will take action, as there is no obligation on members of unions to obey a strike call. However, in the interest of your child's safety and welfare, I requested that teaching colleagues advise me whether they intend to take action.

All teachers have now informed me of their plans for the **2<sup>nd</sup> March**, which will lead to a partial closure of the school on this day. Our main concern is the safety of our students.

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| • RH Paddington Bear | <b>class will be closed</b> |
| • 4NG                | <b>class will be closed</b> |
| • 5HB                | <b>class will be closed</b> |
| • 5B                 | <b>class will be closed</b> |

Work, for the classes that are closed, will be provided on Google Classroom. **The government guidance now says we should try to support children of NHS workers if at all possible. If both parents work for the NHS and have up to date ID please let us know on Monday, either in person or via [info@wordsworthprimary.co.uk](mailto:info@wordsworthprimary.co.uk) and we will do our very best to have your children in school. You will need to show your ID to our school office.**

Given that union members are not required to confirm that they will be taking part in industrial action any further notification to you may be very late. We will continue to update you with news via the school's website and by email.

Information about school closures is also available on the Council's website:

<http://www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/school-closures/>

Thank you in advance for your understanding and continued support.

Yours sincerely

*J Palfrey*

Julie-Anne Palfrey

Head teacher

