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Dear Parents/Carers,

Notification of Industrial Action on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July

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 **Wednesday 5th July** and **Friday 7th July 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.

As mentioned in the previous letter, **Wednesday 5th July** is unaffected and all classes will be open as usual.

All teachers have now informed me of their plans for the **Friday 7th July**, which will lead to a partial closure of the school on this day. Our main concern is the safety of our students.

- **4NG – Mrs Nice** class will be closed
- **5B - Mrs Bishop** class will be closed
- **5HB – Mrs Horton** class will be closed

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, either in person or via 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.

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

