

25th January 2023

Dear Parent/Carers

Re: Strike Action

I am sure you will be aware from recent media reports that the National Education Union (NEU) has confirmed they intend to take strike action on:

- Wednesday 01 February 2023
- Wednesday 01 March 2023
- Wednesday 15 March 2023
- Thursday 16 March 2023

As the Executive Headteacher of the school I am writing to give you as much notice as possible of the likely impact of the action. At The Bemrose School, over half of the schools teaching staff are NEU members and I must put in place reasonable plans to support the needs of pupils.

While the planned action is as a result of a national dispute between the unions and the government, it is not action being taken against school, we must however respond accordingly. We will work closely with staff to identify the type of school day we can offer but I am giving you advanced notice that we may have to close and your child will be at home for the day.

I apologise in advance for the need to make changes to the school day and for any inconvenience this causes you. It appears unlikely that the proposed industrial action will be stopped, but if this were to happen, I will write to you to confirm that the school will be open as usual.

I will make plans later this week as to what the school day will look like and I will be in contact with you.

Yours faithfully

Neil Wilkinson

Neil WILKINSON
Executive Headteacher