21st April 2023

FAO of Parents & Carers **By Email**



Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Strike Action – National Education Union

As you may already be aware the National Education Union (NEU) have announced further strike action on the following days:

- Thursday 27th April 2023
- Tuesday 2nd May 2023

The Head Teacher of the school that your child attends will be liasing with you as parents/carers if they havent already done so in relation to the arranagements for school opening on these particular days. The Trust recognise that further strike action on these days is disruptive to learning and to parents/carers, however as we have done in previous strike days in recent months we will do what we can to ensure the schools are as operational as possible. Any plans in place will be based on the staffing that we plan to have in placeon the above dates. We continue to respect those eligible teaching colleagues in their right to strike.

With the strike dates that have been announced above, you may be concerned as a parent if you have a child/children who are due to sit public examinations, Head Teachers will be working through plans ready for next week with the aim to avoid disruption/keep disruption to a minimum for exam classes where possible.

As you may have noticed in previous strike days picket lines may be set up with staff who are striking attending these picket lines. Picket lines were held peacefully in recent months and we do assume that this will be the case again to ensure that children and parents/carers can attend school on those days peacefully and without disruption.

Please rest assured that the Trust continue to work closely together in this matter, if you have any concerns or questions about the planned days of strike action, please do make contact with your Head Teacher.

We appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

Yours Sincerely

Gareth Nelmes
Chief Executive Officer