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RE: Strike Action

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that NEU have declared strike action, which will take place on, Wednesday 15th March & Thursday 16th March 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our school.

I'm writing to inform you about arrangements for Wednesday 15th March & Thursday 16th March 2023.

We will be closed to the following Year groups:

Lower Foundation (on Wednesday only)

Year 5 (Wednesday & Thursday)

Year 6 (Wednesday & Thursday)

Please be aware that teachers do not have to inform me of their strike action until the morning of the strike day. Once again I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. St Joseph's remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office by emailing admin@sjp.bkcat.co.uk or ring the school office 01977 701493.

Kind Regards
Mrs Velayudhan Tomlin
Headteacher