

2nd July 2014

Dear Parent/Carer,

Industrial Action: 10th July 2014

As you will probably have seen in the press, NUT, UNISON, UNITE (subject to ballot) and GMB intend to take strike action on Thursday 10th July 2014.

Obviously, we all hope that the dispute can be resolved through national negotiation but at the moment it seems likely that there will be some form of strike action on 10th July 2014. Members of the school management team have therefore been considering what impact the strike will have on our school.

Members of school staff do recognise the importance of delivering teaching and learning and no one has taken the decision to support the strike lightly. However, after reviewing all the possible options, we have decided that the school **will be closed to all students on 10th July 2014** because of the number of teachers and support staff who have indicated they intend to strike. Please do not send your child/children to school that day, as there will be no provision available to look after them.

As I began by saying, we all hope that the dispute will be resolved by negotiation at national level as early as possible. I can confirm that school will be operating again as normal on Friday 11th July and to the best of my knowledge, there is no further industrial action planned this term.

I hope this information is helpful but if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Ben Tull
Headteacher