

Westfields Infant School

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STRIKE ACTION – Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March

Dear Parents,

I wrote to you earlier this week about the industrial action being taken by the National Education Union (NEU). There are two planned days of industrial action next week.

On **Wednesday 15th March**, I can confirm that there will be a partial closure affecting classes as follows:

Hedgehog Class	Open	Mole Class	Closed
Squirrel Class	Open	Woodpecker Class	Open
Fox Class	Open	Owl Class	Open
Rabbit Class	Open	Robin Class	Open
Badger Class	Open		

On **Thursday 16th March**, Westfields Infants will be **fully open** and all children are expected to attend.

There will be many reasons why teachers choose to strike or not and this could include that they are not a member of the NEU. I appreciate that for those parents affected by classes closing this is frustrating and ask that all members of our community continue to be respectful of staff choosing whether or not to exercise their right to strike which is a fundamental British liberty.

Any family currently working with a social worker or who is in receipt of Pupil Premium Funding is able to send their child(ren) to school; an additional email will be individually sent to these families to confirm arrangements.

In addition, any parents of children whose classes are closed and who are employed as critical workers (emergency services) are able to contact us to request provision on the strike days. Please email me via admin@westfields-inf.hants.sch.uk stating your employer and job title/role if you feel this applies to you. Note this request must be made in advance of Wednesday.

Finally, please note that your child is expected to attend if their class is open and will be marked as absent if they do not.

All children are expected to attend on Thursday 16th March.

If you have any questions relating to the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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