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STRIKE ACTION – Wednesday 1st February 2023

Dear Parents,

I wrote to you last week about the industrial action being taken by the National Education Union (NEU). The first day of industrial action (strike) takes place this Wednesday 1st February. I can confirm that there will be a partial closure on this day affecting classes as follows:

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

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.

Non-statutory guidance states that schools should make provision for vulnerable pupils. 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 applied 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.

I will update you in due course regarding the next proposed day of action, which is due to be held on Thursday 2nd March 2023.

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

Yours sincerely,

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