

Westfields Infant School

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Dear Parents,

As I am sure you will be expecting (although only confirmed on Monday this week), I am writing to update you in relation to the planned industrial action. To clarify, members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted to take industrial action (alongside many other public sector workers) and as a result of this there is an implication for our school that I wanted to share with you as soon as possible.

Whilst I am able to ask teachers if they are participating, they are not obliged to confirm until the day of action. However, to support our families I have received volunteered confirmation of strike action decisions which have enabled me to plan our provision and give our families details so childcare arrangements can be made if necessary.

On **Thursday 27th April**, Westfields Infants will be **fully open** and all children are expected to attend and will be marked as absent if they do not.

On **Tuesday 2nd May**, I can confirm that there will be a partial closure, with **Owl Class closed** with provision for vulnerable pupils (who are defined as any family currently working with a social worker **or** who is in receipt of Pupil Premium Funding; an additional email will be individually sent to these families to confirm arrangements).

In addition to this, any parents of children in Owl Class who are employed as critical workers (emergency services) are able to contact us to request provision on the strike day. 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 each day.

As always, I wish to assure you we have carefully considered all of our options. If there are any changes or further information, I will share this as soon as I am able. Thank you in anticipation of your support; I fully appreciate the potential disruption this may cause for this class.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Redman', written in a cursive style.

Miss Jo Redman

Executive Headteacher