

# Fox Wood School

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Dear Parents/Carers

You will probably be aware that the National Education Union is planning strike action, the planned dates for which (at the time of me writing) are: 1<sup>st</sup> February, 28<sup>th</sup> February, 15<sup>th</sup> March and 16<sup>th</sup> March. The strike action is happening nationally due to a dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues within our school.

I know that a number of parents have already contacted school to ask what impact this may have for their children, and unfortunately I am not in a position to confirm this, however I want you to be aware that there are likely to be some staff changes for pupils on this day, and that our priority will be on providing a core offer for as many pupils as possible on these days. Any small group activities, or 1:1 support sessions will not occur on strike days. Should I feel that we cannot safely meet your child's needs on this day then I will share this with you at the earliest opportunity – however much of this is out of my control.

I hope you know how much I, and the Governors of Fox Wood, value every member of our incredible staff team, and how very aware we are of the ways in which they – time after time – go above and beyond to create the very best learning and life opportunities for our pupils and school community. Like them we are committed to providing a safe and happy learning environment for all of our pupils.

I do understand that this situation may seem very frustrating, and that the uncertainty is worrying, however I can do nothing at this stage other than be honest with you, and to assure you that I will do everything that I possibly can to minimise any potential disruption for our children and families.

Yours Faithfully

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