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Tuesday, 27th June 2023

Dear Families,

NATIONAL STRIKE ACTION

Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July

I am writing to you because two further days of NEU strike action are due to take place on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. This is national action and will be affecting schools across the country.

I am now in a position to let you know which children will be able to attend school should the strike action go ahead. The number of pupils has to be limited, due to legal requirements and expectations regarding staffing. Please be aware that this situation may change – if that is the case, I will contact you with a further update.

Children who will be able to attend on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July:

- Children who had a place on the last day of NEU strike action will still be able to attend school. Please let us know by email or text message if your child will be attending school on this date.
- Children who are in both **Y2 Lowry** and **Y2 Bridgewater** **will be able to attend** on both days. The trip on Friday 7th will go ahead as planned.

Parents of the children who will be able to attend school on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July have a legal duty to send their child to school on the day of a strike unless they are unwell. Please contact school if your child was due to attend but is unable to on the day.

In Nursery and Reception - we do not have enough staff to fulfil our statutory duties in these classes, so these classes will need to close for the day.

Free School Meals

Parents of children in **Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in receipt of Universal Free School Meals who cannot attend on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July** will be able to collect a packed lunch from school between 11 and 12pm on the day. The sandwich choices available will be ham, cheese or tuna. Please text school with your sandwich choice by 2pm on Monday 3rd July.



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Parents of children entitled to **benefits-related free school meals from any year group who cannot attend on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July** will be able to collect a packed lunch from school between 11 and 12pm on the day. The sandwich choices available will again be ham, cheese or tuna. Please text school with your sandwich choice by 2pm on Monday 3rd July.

Kiddiewinkles

Kiddiewinkles will **not** be generally open for the morning session on the above dates, but Kiddiewinkles will contact parents if any children are eligible to attend.

Kiddiewinkles' after-school club will be open for the evening session. However, this is for children **who already have a regular place**. This does include children who do not have a place in school on the strike day.

Parents sending children to the Kiddiewinkles' after-school club, who do not have a place in school on the day of the strike, must drop children off at school at 3.15pm and arrange to collect by the **usual closing or collection time (5.45pm at the latest)**.

If you have already booked a place and you do not wish to send your child on the day of the strike, please inform the club directly so that they are aware of the numbers for that day.

I will write to you again if I have any further information to share with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J Kinch'.

Julia Kinch
Headteacher