

Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School

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Tuesday 17th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write in response to the announcement yesterday that the National Education Union (NEU) intends to conduct industrial strike action over the course of the next two months, in support of better pay and conditions for teaching staff in the UK.

The dates of industrial strike action that will affect schools in London are proposed to be:

- Wednesday 1st February
- Thursday 2nd March
- Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

These dates are provisional and are dependent upon the outcome of negotiations between the NEU and Government. Strike action was voted for by 90% of NEU members in a ballot that ended on Monday.

The vast majority of the teaching staff at Holy Trinity are members of the National Education Union and therefore it is highly likely that the usual running of the school will be heavily impacted if the strikes go ahead.

I will be working alongside the NEU members on our staff team, the local authority and Southwark Diocese to ensure information is shared with you in good time, and with transparency. This is a very challenging time for all involved in education, and across our society. I respect and understand the NEU's perspective on their request for improved pay and conditions for our teaching staff, and will do my utmost to balance successfully the needs and best interests of our children and staff at this time.

I will write to you all next week with a definitive plan, and will continue to stay in touch with all relevant agencies as we work together to manage this situation calmly and proactively. In the meantime, I recommend that parents and carers look into alternative childcare options for those dates and inform their employers of potential disruption.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please do not hesitate to find me in the school playground at the start or end of the school day.

Kind regards,

Mr Winn













