



## PURSTON INFANT SCHOOL

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**27<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

Dear Families

### **STRIKE ACTION**

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU teachers union have declared strike action which will take place on the four separate dates listed below.

- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023: All schools in England and Wales

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government due to the chronic underfunding of schools. Whilst teachers pay is a symptom of the underfunding the majority of teachers, including myself feel that your children's education is being damaged everyday by strained school budget that has an immediate impact on staffing and recruitment. If this underfunding continues the education we offer will diminish quickly.

Every single person working within school hopes that the ongoing discussions between the unions and the government will be successful and schools will not have to close or partially close. However I am contacting you today to give you notice that on this coming **Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> July** I now need to close the following class:

- **Elephants Class ( Full Day Closure )**

Further information regarding the other proposed strike days will follow as soon as possible. Please be assured that we are working closely with union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and we will inform you if the situation changes further.

We are sorry that you are having to make alternative arrangements for this date and appreciate your understanding during the period that this national strike action is taking place.

The Designated Senior Lead for Safeguarding and Child Protection is the Headteacher, Philip Barnett, supported by the Deputy Headteacher, Alison Gascoyne and Family Support Worker, Kerry Dyas.

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