

Ref: BR/TW

19th March 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been informed by the National Union of Teachers that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a strike on Wednesday 26th March 2014

This action is not against the school itself but is part of national industrial action organised by trade unions about changes to pay and conditions of their members.

There is no requirement on unions to inform us of which members of staff will take action, and it may be that they will not know themselves as there is no obligation on members of unions to obey a strike call.

Neither the governing body nor the headteacher is legally allowed to close the school 'in sympathy' with the strike and we will not do so. However, our main concern is the safety of our students. We have a significant number of staff who are members of the National Union of Teachers and in my opinion it is not safe to open to students on that day.

School will be closed to students on 26th March 2014 unless the situation changes. If there are changes, I will contact you again. I am sorry for the inconvenience to parents and hope that the issues over which the industrial action has arisen are resolved as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "B Rogers". The letters are connected and fluid, with a prominent loop on the 'R'.

B Rogers
Headteacher