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Dear Parent/Carer,

NUT Strike Action – Tuesday 5 July 2016

As you may be aware the National Union of Teachers have called a day of strike action over funding and conditions of service of teachers. This is due to take place on **Tuesday 5 July 2016**.

It is always the schools main priority to try and minimise the effect on families and on the education of our students in such circumstances while recognising the rights of the teacher associations to take action. The decision to close the school or send students home is never taken lightly, but in this instance, where staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and well-being of all students.

We have, after discussions with the local authority and the Chair of Governors, risk assessed the effect of the numbers taking part in the action and feel that we have no other option but to close the school on the day in question. We appreciate that this will be disruptive to you but assure you that we have given the matter full and careful consideration.

We are aware that school closures inconvenience parents and carers and so I am writing to give you advance notice of the likely impact of the action on the school.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Kam Grewal-Joy
Headteacher