24<sup>th</sup> January 2023



**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and well.

You may be aware from national media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced that following a ballot of its members in England, the thresholds required to commence industrial action has been met. The NEU's has subsequently announced that national and regional action in England will take place on the following dates:

- Wednesday, 1 February
- Tuesday, 28 February
- Wednesday, 15 March
- Thursday, 16 March

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, working conditions and the funding levels for schools. The industrial action does not relate in any way towards the actions of any school.

In response to the planned industrial action, we are currently considering several options to try to ensure any disruption to learning is minimised. Once we are in receipt of all the information regarding the extent this industrial action will have on our staffing, I will immediately update parents and carers with our proposed arrangements for Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022. I must make it clear however, that these plans will also be subject to change closer to the date, or even on the date of industrial action itself.

I apologise in advance for any inconvenience and uncertainty caused by this industrial action.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Mr G Rule Headteacher