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Dear Parents and Carers,

Recent news reports indicate that there is no clear resolution yet to the national dispute between the teacher unions and the government. As a result, further industrial action is planned by the NEU, with strike days announced for Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.

So far, the impact of strike action on the running of Sacred Heart has been minimal, and all pupils of statutory school age have been able to attend. However, each strike day is treated separately, and more classes may have to close at short notice on strike days in future. Please look out for messages from the school office through emails and the school app as we will inform you as soon as possible of any changes to your child's school day due to strike action.

At present, we anticipate that on 27<sup>th</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 the school will be open to all pupils, except those in Nursery.

Arrangements for pupils in Reception through to Year 6, including: lunch, Toast Club, After School Clubs and Toddler Group, will be as normal.

I'm sorry that parents of Nursery pupils will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and thank you for the respectful way in which you have acknowledged the right to strike amongst the workforce.

We are working closely with union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office who will direct your query to the member of staff who will be able to help you.

Kind regards,

Mrs M. Jackson  
Headteacher