



30th January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

I am sure you have seen or read in the news about the upcoming industrial action by teachers. The National Education Union has called on its members to take strike action on **Wednesday 1st February 2023**. The union's dispute is with the Secretary of State, not our school. This is because "*she has failed to give the undertaking sought by the NEU to make available additional and sufficient funds to allow employers to pay a fully funded increase in teachers' pay at a rate greater than inflation*".

Strike days are currently planned for the following dates:-

- Wednesday 1 February
- Wednesday 1 March
- Wednesday 15 March
- Thursday 16 March

KNGS had already planned for Wednesday 1st February to be a training day and students are not expected to be in school.

Due to the fact that there is not sufficient certainty that there will be adequate staffing levels to safely teach or supervise pupils on the proposed days of industrial action by members of the National Education Union, I am currently unable to ascertain how strike action will impact KNGS. I will give you the maximum amount of notice possible should we need to close or partially close school on the above dates so that you are able to consider making suitable arrangements for your child or children. Please be mindful that the situation in each school will be different.

Please do assume for now that school will be open fully as normal but be prepared for the possibility of changes to this for some or all year groups. There cannot be an assumption that the same provision will apply on all intended strike days.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher