



## Bicton C of E Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well.

You may be aware that The National Education Union (NEU) will be holding further strike action in April and May, due to the ongoing dispute with the government over funding and pay.

The NEU has announced the following dates for the potential strike action:

- **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023**
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023**

The industrial action planned for **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 will affect our school and we will be partially open.**

**Willow and Nursery are OPEN and all other classes will be CLOSED.**

The school kitchen will serve meals as normal for children in school. Children who are in receipt of free school meals are entitled to a hot takeaway lunch, which can be collected from the school kitchen between 12:00 pm and 12:15 pm on Thursday but only if requested by 10:00 am on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – please telephone the school office to order.

I will write to you again next week about the second date (Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May) once I have more information on staffing.

I understand that this situation may be frustrating, but it is not a decision that is taken lightly and I trust that the decisions made by staff will be respected. Without appropriate funding, schools will not be able to continue to provide the quality of education each and every child deserves.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Johnson, Head teacher