



*Growing in faith: loving and learning together with Jesus*

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Dear parents/carers,

You may be aware from media coverage that one of the teaching unions (NEU) has declared strike action, which will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 15<sup>th</sup> March & 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government, and not because of any issues at our school.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible that learning may be disrupted on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, and possibly on the remaining strike days. We are considering several options, including a partial closure of the school if necessary and setting suggested lessons via ClassDojo.

**We recommend that you start to make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates.**

I am sorry about the potential disruption to you and to your child's education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. St Mary's and St Vincent's schools remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our advisors from the Trust (STCAT) to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you of the proposed arrangements as soon as possible via ClassDojo and Parentmail.

Teachers are under no obligation to inform anyone in advance of their intention to take strike action, so please do not ask them. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Kind regards,

Louise Waldram  
Headteacher



*The Glory of God is a Human Being Fully Alive!*

