



Tweeddale Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to update you of our plans to manage the forthcoming planned national and local industrial action, which has been announced by the National Education Union (NEU) for the 27th April and 2nd May 2023.

The school will be open to all pupils on **Thursday 27th April 2023**, although this may be subject to change, you will be informed by Groupcall if there are any changes.

It is likely that a number of NEU members will be taking industrial action on **Tuesday 2nd May 2023**.

I want to give our families as much notice as possible about potential disruption on this date. This letter will outline the most likely plan for **Tuesday 2nd May** using the most current information I have about predicted staffing levels. However, I will Groupcall to confirm the final arrangements on Friday 28th April. I understand that this will inconvenience families and appreciate that you will want to know how this will affect your child/ren so that you can plan any alternative childcare arrangements. Protecting the health and safety of our pupils is our first priority. My decision takes into account the number of teaching staff taking strike action, and the impact on the pupil to staff ratio as well as the number of staff able to take on additional responsibilities.

We cannot guarantee that we will be able to open the school fully on **Tuesday 2nd May 2023**. The school will remain open for the following year groups/pupils.

YEAR 6 (Penguin and Seal Classes). All Year 6 Children will be expected to attend school as normal.

Presently, all other classes will be closed. This may be subject to change.

It will also be open to some specific children in other year groups who will be notified individually.

- Teaching and Learning in Year 6 will continue as timetabled.
- Catering arrangements for pupils in school will remain the same as a normal school day.
- Breakfast Club and late Club will be open.

The school will be providing remote education for those students not attending school, that will be accessible via Google classroom.

Free School Meals will still be available to all children. Further details will be shared with parents on Thursday 27th April.

I want to thank you for your understanding and for making alternative arrangements for your child at short notice. Whilst we appreciate the disruption that this may cause to families and our children, we respect the right of our NEU members to participate in industrial action.

Tweeddale Primary School remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you of the final arrangements as soon as possible.

We will inform you of any updates via Groupcall and our website as they arise.

If you have any questions, please contact the Senior Leadership Team via the office email address.

Kind regards,

Mrs T Jerrom

Headteacher