

27th June 2023

Dear Families,

Continued Strike Action

Further to strike action that took place earlier on in the Spring and Summer terms, I am writing to update you that the whilst the Department for Education and Teaching Unions have continued their discussions about terms and conditions, an agreement has not yet been reached. The NEU have now called for further strike action, taking place on **Wednesday 5th July** and **Friday 7th July**.

We have worked within our risk assessments following advice from the Department of Education, and whilst we will ensure as little impact as possible, safeguarding remains our top priority.

I am now writing to inform you that the school will only be open on both strike days on Wednesday, 5th July and Friday, 7th July 2023 for children in:

- **Nursery**
- **Year 2**
- **Year 6**

Families should only use the KS1 gate in Peareswood Road on both strike days.

Please note, online learning will not be provided for these days, but if you are able to, you can support your children with activities:

- ✓ Enjoy a book or two with your child and upload on Showbie if this is something you would like to share.
- ✓ Write a book review about your favourite book. If it's linked to one of our house authors you can even earn a token.
- ✓ Practice the times tables by logging into Times Tables Rockstars TTR [Times Tables Rock Stars: Play \(ttrockstars.com\)](https://www.ttrockstars.com)
- ✓ Design a poster to share your favourite hobby with others
- ✓ [Free primary and secondary school teaching resources - BBC Teach](#)
- ✓ [Primary Homework Help | Online Games For Kids - BBC Bitesize](#)
- ✓ Complete the topic homework set for this half term.
- ✓ Practice phonics at home using the Little Wandle parent support videos: [For parents - Letters and Sounds \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)
- ✓ Enjoy a PE lesson with Joe Wicks: [Joe Wicks' Daily PE Lesson - YouTube](#)
- ✓ Create interesting artwork at home [Families | Royal Academy of Arts](#) and [Arts and Crafts for Kids: Easy ideas from Parents' Toolkit - BBC Bitesize](#)
- ✓ Challenge yourself on Spelling Shed to get extra practice. www.spellingshed.com/en-us/homeschool

For parents who qualify for Free School Meals based on your eligibility, we will be offering packed lunches which can be ordered by contacting the school office **by 1200 on Monday, 3 July 2023**. Packed lunches must be collected from KS1 gate by 1200 on each strike day.

Should an agreement be reached in the meantime, we will write to update you further.

We would like to thank you for your co-operation and understanding whilst we all work as a community together.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the school office by email pwpooffice@watschools.com

Yours sincerely,



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