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Dear Parents & Carers,

I am writing to inform you that there will be further strike action taking place on **Tuesday 2nd May 2023.**

This is a difficult situation, which will cause disruption. I would ask you however, to be understanding. Taking strike action is not something that any teacher would undertake lightly. Those on strike will have thought long and hard about their decision.

Tuesday 2nd May

The children in these classes **should attend school as normal** on Tuesday 2nd May

- F1 & F2 – Skylark
- Class 1/2 - Lapwing
- Class 2 – Redwing
- Class 3 - Swift
- Class 6 – Cormorants

Children in all the other classes should remain at home on Tuesday 2nd May 2023.

As stated on my previous strike letter, Gillian Keegan (Secretary of State for Education) has shared a pay offer. However, this has not been accepted. One of the main reasons being it is unfunded. This means that schools would have to fund the pay rise from their current school budgets - a budget that is already extremely tight. Schools face a very challenging situation at the moment with their current budgets and are really struggling to ensure that they have the staffing and resources that all the children need and deserve.

Waves (before and after school provision) will continue to operate on this day and our Kitchen Team will operate as usual for the children in school. Any Pupil Premium children in receipt of Free School Meals who are not in on Tuesday 2nd May 2023 can contact the school office if they would like a packed lunch making for them. Please contact the office by Friday 28th April 2023 at the latest. Lunches will be available to be collected from school at 09.30am on Tuesday 2nd May. Any after school clubs (3:20pm – 4:20pm) that usually operate on Tuesday will still be operating if your child has a place and wishes to attend.

At the time of writing this letter, I am unaware of any further confirmed strike days. If this changes I will let you know. Thank you for your continued support with this difficult situation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Bailey
(Headteacher)