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Half day strike action on 29th November 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to you about the forthcoming strike action by the teaching unions in Northern Ireland. You may have seen coverage of this in the news, and I wanted to inform you about the impact this is likely to have at our school.

When a strike takes place, those taking strike action, stop work and withdraw their labour. Teachers involved in the action will, therefore, not teach their class or undertake any other duties during the half-strike day.

In partnership with the Board of Governors, I have determined the following:

- The school will be closed until 12:15pm.
- Children arriving at 12:15 will go straight to their classrooms.
- Lunch will begin at 12.30pm.
- If your child is having a paid school dinner on Wednesday 29th November, you will need to let us know on Tuesday 28th November. This is to ensure numbers are sent to catering.
- Any children not having a hot dinner should bring a packed lunch as normal.
- Butterflies, Multisports and 325 clubs will run as normal in the afternoon.

Clearly, this is a difficult situation, which will cause disruption and we appreciate your understanding. Strike action is very unusual and taking the step of strike action is not something that any member of the school staff undertakes lightly. Those on strike will have thought long and hard about their decision to take this action.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kindest Regards

Mrs Bacheta