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Dear Parent/Carer

## Strike Action

We are writing to remind you that the next strike day by the NEU will take place on **Wednesday 1st March 2023**. The strike is taking place due to a national dispute between the Unions and the Government and not because of any issues at our school. I am writing to update you on the action that the school will be taking to ensure compliance with all statutory regulations.

Unfortunately due to the number of teachers taking part in the strike action, we do not have the capacity for all children to attend school, but with the level of staffing currently available the school will provide provision for approximately 120 children.

This will include all Reception children and our more vulnerable children who are either SEND or Pupil Premium. Parents/Carers of these children will receive an email on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2023..

Nursery and all classes from years 1 to 6 will be closed except for the children mentioned above. Therefore alternative childcare arrangements may be necessary for this date and possible further strike dates in the future, they include:

Wednesday 15 March 2023 Thursday 16 March 2023

Further information will be sent next week regarding learning materials available for the different year groups to complete on the day of the strike.

I am sorry about the potential disruption to you and to your child's education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and will ensure all possible measures will be taken to support all stakeholders. Herrick 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 any further developments.

This decision has not been taken lightly and we apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

**U Patel** Headteacher