

17<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Following recent ballots by teacher unions, I am writing to inform you that the National Education Union (NEU) intend to carry out industrial action over the national pay offer and their members plan to strike over a number of days in the coming months.

The dates are:

- \*Wednesday 1st February 2023
- \*Wednesday 1st March 2023
- \*Wednesday 15th March 2023
- \*Thursday 16th March 2023

I wanted to get in touch with you before the action is confirmed as the impact of the industrial action may mean that you will need to consider additional arrangements on these dates. I will be in contact shortly to clarify the impact on school and individual classes.

These are difficult times and Foxwood has seen the impact of unfunded pay rises, increased workload, reduced funding and problems with recruitment. We all know that the last few years have been very difficult for many people across a range of sectors and those teachers that may be taking action are not doing so easily.

While trade unions have informed their members of their intention to strike, there is also the possibility that through ongoing negotiations the strike may not take place. I will keep you informed as the situation develops before the first day of strike action on 1st February 2023.

Yours sincerely



**James Hutchinson**  
Headteacher