

STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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A "Sense of Pride"

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As I am sure you will be aware, the National Education Union (NEU) is planning to take industrial action on the following dates:

- **Thursday 2nd March 2023 (Regional strike)**
- Wednesday 15th March 2023 (National strike)
- Thursday 16th March 2023 (National strike)

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our school. The vast majority of teachers at SPJS are members of the NEU. A small number of teaching staff are members of other teaching unions, which are not taking industrial action at this time, so will be in school.

Staff do not have to inform school of their intention to strike until the actual day of the strike but to allow parents/carers to make arrangements they have kindly informed us of their intentions for Thursday 2nd March 2023.

The decision to close the school and / or send pupils home is never taken lightly, but in this instance, where staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of all pupils.

We know that school closures inconvenience parents and carers and so I am writing to give you advance notice of the impact of the action on this school. **If the action does go ahead on Thursday 2nd March, the following arrangements will be in place:**

The school will remain open all day, including breakfast club and Jancett after school club for pupils in the following two classes:

3S 4J

(Parents of pupils with an EHCP, who are not in these classes, will be contacted separately to let you know if your child is able to come to school on this day)

School dinners will be served as usual on this day. Please note that there will be **no after school clubs** run by teaching staff on this day.

The school will be closed for pupils in the following classes:

3J 3P 4S 4P 5S 5P 5J 6S 6P 6J

If the industrial action does not go ahead, we will be open as usual.

Headteacher: Amanda J Lamy BA (Hons)

Deputy Headteacher: Julia Burridge BA (Hons)

I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Stanley Park Junior School remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

If you wish for your child to do some learning whilst at home on this day you may want to use the following resources:

- TTRockstars <https://trockstars.com/>
- Reading Plus (Y5 and 6 only) Children have their logins in their home/school books <https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login>
- Oak National Academy <https://classroom.thenationalacademy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-2>
- BBC Bitesize <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>
(They cover all subjects but in particular Dance Mat typing will help keyboard skills)
- Enjoy reading books/visiting a local library.
- MyMaths <https://login.mymaths.co.uk/login> Children can complete booster packs/lessons or play the games.

We will let you know about the other dates and how it may impact the school as soon as we have the information. We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Yours faithfully



Amanda Lamy
Headteacher