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Dear Parents and Carers,

PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL ACTION

You may be aware from media coverage, that the National Education Union (NEU) have declared strike action, which will take place on the following days:

- Wednesday 1st February 2023
- Thursday 2nd March 2023
- Wednesday 15th March 2023
- Thursday 16th March 2023

The action is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and school funding and is not against The Orchard Primary School.

I am getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible so that you can make provisional childcare arrangements if your child's class is not open on the proposed strike days. I hope to be able to give you as much notice as possible in advance of any strike action being taken by Orchard Primary School staff but recommend that you start to make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates.

I am sorry about the potential disruption this may cause our families and understand that this situation may be frustrating. The Orchard 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 the final arrangements as soon as this information is available.

Yours sincerely

Christine Haslam
Head teacher