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## Notification of Partial Closure

Dear Parents/Carers

You may have heard on the news that the National Union of Teachers (NUT) has voted in favour of 'discontinuous strike action' against cuts in spending and for genuine negotiations around workload, pay and other conditions. The strike is planned for **Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016.**

All members of the NUT in England who are working in local authority schools or academies are being called on to strike.

The NUT have stated the following:

### **What are the issues on funding?**

Funding cuts for schools and academies are happening because the Government is freezing funding per pupil and imposing higher NI & pension costs. This will cut the value of funding by 10% or more by 2020.

The proposed "national funding formula" goes further - it will actually take money away from around half of all schools. Funding pressures already threaten pay increases and pay progression in schools and academies alike. The NUT is seeking full funding, not just "fair funding".

Without more money and the protection of national pay & conditions, things will get worse much faster for teachers and children.

NUT

### **How will this effect you?**

The majority of classes will be unaffected on the 5<sup>th</sup> July however there will be a partial closure, as I at this point I have been made aware that the strike action will affect

**2C, 3J and 4W.**

Members of other unions are likely to be advised not to undertake any action to undermine the industrial action of the striking unions e.g cover an absent colleague due to strike action. Consequently there is no provision for these classes on that day.

*What about Key Stage 2 Sports Day?*

Due to these unforeseen circumstances I feel it is necessary to re-arrange Key Stage 2 sports day to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July so that all children can take part in this annual fun event.

I am aware that this decision may be very problematic for parents and carers. I apologise to parents for the inconvenience this will cause and hope that negotiations will resolve the situation for us all.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "L. Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a dot over the "y".

Miss L Kelly  
Headteacher