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Dear families

**Industrial action by the National Education Union (NEU)**

As some of you may be aware, one of the teaching unions, the National Education Union (NEU), is planning strike action over the next couple of months. This is a national strike regarding a dispute between unions and the government over teachers' pay. The dates the NEU has currently scheduled in are 1st Feb, 28th Feb, 15th Mar and 16th Mar. It is possible all, or some of these dates may be withdrawn if the NEU can reach agreement with government.

Although some of the teachers at Dixons Music Primary are members of the NEU, I wanted to advise you that we currently do not anticipate this will impact our ability to open school on the planned strike days.

If there are any changes which impact our ability to open the academy safely, I will advise you as soon as possible. Fortunately, our staffing structure allows for flexibility when dealing with potential reduced staff numbers, so closing the academy to students would be as a very last resort.

Thank you, as always, for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely



**Luke Robbins-Ross**  
Principal

