

Carleton Park J & I School

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Planned strike action at Carleton Park J & I School on Tuesday 28th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

We write further to our previous correspondence to update you on the progress of our contingency planning during the forthcoming strike action in schools.

The next proposed strike day is next Tuesday, 28th February. The strike action is again in relation to the national dispute around teacher and school staff pay. The school's plan during the strike is the same as the last strike and our school will be open as normal.

The Department for Education expects all school registered children of compulsory school age to be in attendance. Appropriate arrangements have been made to teach all year groups, and all other planned school activities, such as breaks, and lunches will occur as per our normal timetable.

Some staff might form a picket line outside the school. A picket line is where staff gather near the entrance to a workplace to protest in person, they may be holding notice boards or banners. If that is the case, I would like to take this opportunity to remind all students and parents that as a Trust we support our staff's legal right to strike. Please ensure that any interactions you have with staff are courteous and respectful as they would be on any other day. We would also like to remind you that it is unlawful for people who are not members of staff at the school (or their union representatives) to join a picket line. We therefore ask parents or carers or pupils to refrain from joining any picket line.

Your child's education is important to all staff at Carleton Park J & I School. We hope that by putting in place these contingency plans we can limit any impact the strike could have on your child's education.

Thank you for your support and co-operation during this period.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Ayre Headteacher