



# Howard Primary School

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

## Industrial Action planned for Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 : Preliminary information

Following on from the previous strike day, we have again asked the teaching staff who are part of the NEU (national Education Union) if they intend to take strike action (they are under no obligation to inform us ahead of the strike day).

However, at this time, we are able to inform you that the following classes will be **closed** next Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023, due to industrial action:

**Year 1 Lambeth**  
**Year 4 Millennium**  
**Year 5 Cannon Street**

Children in these classes should not come to school on this day as we do not have sufficient staff to maintain their health, safety and welfare. This will not affect your child's attendance record. Please encourage your child to access the online resources provided by the school on this day including Mathletics in addition to continuing to read their home reading book.

We understand that the NEU is still in talks with the Government and there is a possibility that the strike action will not go ahead as planned.

We will confirm whether the class closure will go ahead via text message to parents of children in Y1 Lambeth, Y4 Millennium and Y5 Cannon Street on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023; however, we wanted to give parents/ carers in the above classes as much notice as possible to prepare them for the likelihood of their child's class closure.

The following classes will be **open**:

**Reception - Chelsea and Grosvenor**  
**Year 1 – Vauxhall**  
**Year 2 – Hungerford and Westminster**  
**Year 3 - Waterloo and Blackfriars**  
**Year 4 - Southwark**  
**Year 5 - London**  
**Year 6 - QE2 and Tower**

Children in these classes must attend school as normal.

We appreciate the inconvenience that these decisions may cause. We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and we will keep you informed re future strike dates when we know more from the NEU.

We want to thank you for your continued support of our teachers, wider staff in education and school.

Regards,

**Mr J Robinson & Mr P Smith**  
(Co-Chairs of Governors)

**Miss J De Saulles**  
(Headteacher)



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