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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing regarding a number of important matters. Please can I ask you to read the following information carefully.

### **Strike Action**

Unfortunately, there are likely to be 2 further days of strikes over the coming weeks. At present, the NEU have declared strike action for **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**. This is in relation to a dispute with the Government and has nothing to do with our school specifically. I wanted to give you as much notice as possible, so that you can plan ahead for these dates, as we will not be able to open the school to all students.

As soon as possible, I will inform you about our specific plans for these days, as we will try to open the school partially, dependent on a risk assessment. I will also inform you if the strikes do get cancelled, but I must warn you that I think this is unlikely.

### **Bank Holidays**

School will be closed for 2 impending bank holidays - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Dropping off and picking up from school**

We have received many complaints from residents about the increase in cars dropping off and picking up students, and concerns have also been raised about parking. Please can you encourage your child to walk to school or take the bus where possible, always walking sensibly, using pedestrian crossings, and taking care when walking past driveways and the petrol station.

In particular, I ask that parents avoid dropping students off in the cul de sac (Surry Crescent) in between the petrol station and the Ruislip Road entrance and also avoid parking on pavements along Ferrymead Avenue. Can I also ask parents to avoid driving through the cut through at the back of the Lady Margaret Road along Fresh Mill Lane. It becomes very congested in this area, and with almost 2000 students arriving and leaving each day, it can become dangerous if there are lots of vehicles around. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M Pye'.

Mrs M Pye  
Headteacher