



Dear Parents & Carers,

Strike by the National Education Union (NEU)

You will have no doubt be aware that the NEU has announced that its ballot of teacher members in England has met the required threshold to start industrial action. Therefore, NEU teachers have the option to strike on the following dates:

Weds 1st February

Weds 1st March

Weds 15th March

Thurs 16th March

It is worth noting however, that this will affect schools differently than Covid lockdown. Under union rules, staff cannot be compelled to cover for their colleagues who have chosen to strike. This means that we may be unable to open all classes fully on those proposed dates. Obviously, the number of teachers who choose to strike will differ in every school, which will mean provision may look very different across St Albans.

I will send more information about how this may impact our school community once I have heard back from the NEU members across the federation, but I wanted you to have as much notice as possible about which dates could be affected.

Kind Regards

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