



BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you about the arrangements for the 1st February when the teaching union, the NEU, will be taking industrial action.

As a staff we have made the decision NOT to take strike action as this will cause inconvenience for you, the parents, in having to make arrangements to have your child looked after on this day. This is the only reason that we will not be taking part in the action.

It is really important to us however that this is not viewed by you as our acceptance of, or agreement with, the Department for Education's stance on pay, workload or the direction of education. This is certainly not the case. We understand why many of our colleagues in other schools feel compelled to take action to highlight the serious issues currently facing Schools. We are aware however that schools remaining open may be used in the media as evidence that teachers are not concerned about these issues when in actual fact we are.

It is also important to note that this decision applies only to the action taking place on the 1st February and we will review each case as a staff in the light of any further developments. I hope that this helps you in planning for your children next week.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Laura Bennett
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