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Dear Parents/Carers

As I am sure you will be aware from reports in the press, one of the teaching unions, the NEU, has confirmed strike action in this area on the following dates:

1 February; 2 March and 15 and 16 March.

It is likely that there will be an impact on schools within The Partnership Trust as a result of this strike action. Because there are a number of teaching unions, the impact is likely to differ across our schools depending on the proportion of staff who belong to the NEU and who are taking strike action. The impacts could be full or partial closures or there could be no impact whatsoever.

Headteachers are planning at local level depending on the likely disruption at their school and will write to you to confirm arrangements. Please note that there is no requirement on striking staff to notify schools in advance and therefore it is possible that an impact could not be known until the day of the strike. We appreciate that this will make planning difficult for you and we will do all that we can to ensure that communication is received by you in as timely manner as possible. Similarly, we will endeavour to ensure that at the very least all of our schools are able to open to accommodate the most vulnerable pupils.

I appreciate the challenges that this brings to you as parents and we will do our uppermost to ensure that fuller information is shared with you closer to the time.

With kind regards

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