

Dear Parents,

Strike Action

As you will be aware from the media, the combined teacher and school leadership trade unions will be taking industrial action on the 30th November.

The action (a one day strike) will result in class or whole school closures across the country.

The decision to close the school or send pupils home is never taken lightly, but in this instance, where staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and well being of all pupils. **At present, I cannot say if Blakesley will be affected. As soon as I know I will contact you again.**

We are aware that class/school closures inconvenience parents and carers and so I am writing to give you advance notice of the likely impact of the action on this school.

If the action goes ahead, the following arrangements will be in place:

Classes taught by striking staff will be closed.

Classes taught by non-striking staff will run as usual.

As much notice as possible will be given.

If any classes are in session the school bus WILL run.

Union regulations state that classes of striking staff can not be covered by supply staff or non-striking staff.

I repeat, I will give you as much notice as I can prior to the 30th November.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Your sincerely

Mary Barnett
Head teacher