



# Monksdown Primary School

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Dear parents/carers

You may be aware from media coverage that the NEU Teaching Union have declared strike action, which will take place on **Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government and not because of any issues at our school.

I'm getting in touch to give you as much notice as possible about our arrangements for next Wednesday and Thursday. As we have over 20 teachers in the NEU and after a thorough risk assessment we have had to make the difficult decision to close the school to pupils on these days.

I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Monksdown Primary School remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

We are working closely with our staff union representative to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals and will require a school packed lunch, please indicate on the form below. Please note, packed lunches that have been requested will be available to pick up from the school office between 11am and 12 noon on both days.

Kind regards,

Mrs J. Price  
**Head Teacher**

My child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ is in receipt of Free School Meals and will require a packed lunch on:

Wednesday 15th March  Please circle sandwich type: Tuna Turkey Ham Cheese

Thursday 16th March  Please circle sandwich type: Tuna Turkey Ham Cheese

I will collect the packed lunch between 11am and 12 noon on both days

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

