



Tuesday 25th April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Planned NEU Strike

As you aware, the National Education Union (NEU) has announced further strike action taking place on **Tuesday 2nd May**.

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and government over teachers' pay and lack of school funding for resources that schools rely on, for example SEND services.

The vast majority of teachers at Oreston Community Academy are members of the NEU. Whether our staff choose to exercise their right to strike is a personal matter. Staff do not have to inform school of their intention to strike until the actual day of the strike. This means that schools have to risk assess the potential disruption and make the necessary arrangements.

The staff at Oreston Community Academy work extremely hard to ensure that your children receive the very best education, support and care and they do not wish to disrupt this. The action they decide to take is not one that will be taken lightly, and is one that they ultimately believe does have the best interests of the children at its heart.

With all of this in mind, school will be **closed** to the following classes on **Tuesday 2nd May 2023**.

Year 1- 1K

Year 4- 4R and 4P

If your child's class is open, your child is expected to attend, in line with our attendance policy.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation and continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Amy Chivers

Headteacher