



Dringhouses

Primary School | York

27.01.2023

Dear Families,

The upcoming strike action is a dynamic and challenging situation to navigate, and I'd like to thank those of you who have shown understanding, patience, and often solidarity with those taking strike action.

Our initial estimates on staff who would be part of any strike action have now changed - and as a result, our response has had to. Staff will be supporting the strikes, however, also understand the need for families to plan for necessary childcare.

Based on the number of staff who we expect to strike and/or may strike without notice (a number which has changed substantially in the last week) and therefore the capacity for the school to operate safely, **I am in a position to be able to tell you that school will be closed on Wednesday 1st February to all children.**

We will be making phone calls to key individuals where a check in on that day is required, but will not be opening the school.

As you would expect, we are rescheduling the Y2 trip to the Mosque on that day, as staffing is affected to an extent that prevents us from going.

Please be aware of all the 4 dates below and prepare for the possibility of requiring emergency childcare. Keep in mind that if your child's class is closed (because their usual teacher that day is striking), they would be unable to attend school.

The full list of projected strike days affecting schools in York are as follows:

Wednesday 1 February 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.

Tuesday 28 February 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions:

Northern, North West, Yorkshire & The Humber.

Wednesday 15 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.

Thursday 16 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales

Thanks for your ongoing understanding at a time where the action of our staff is fully supported, but in a situation that we appreciate provides a significant challenge to families.

Ben Sutton | **Headteacher**



St. Helen's Road, York, YO24 1HW | 01904 553940

Family contact - hello@dringhouses.co.uk | All other enquiries - admin@dringhouses.co.uk