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Living our Faith, Learning in Love

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Dear Families

NEU Teachers' Strike Days – Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Teachers in the NEU (National Education Union) have agreed on another **two days** of strike action. Due to the significant number of staff in our school being involved with this union, our school will be closed on these two days to **most pupils**.

We have capacity to offer a **limited number** of places to children whose parents are classed as '**critical workers**' (please see below) and urgently need this 'child-care' place. Below is the link to an electronic form to complete if this applies to you.

Please can I ask for all electronic form responses to be returned by **Monday 24th April 2023**.

<https://forms.office.com/e/rhtYeMjdL5>

With very best wishes

Anita Fagan
Headteacher

Critical Workers Checklist – Government Guidelines

Health and social care: This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare: This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach

Key public services: This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased

- *journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting*

Local and national government: *This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of:*

- *the COVID-19 response*
- *essential public services, such as the payment of benefits including in government agencies and arms length bodies*

Food and other necessary goods: *This includes those involved in food:*

- *production*
- *processing*
- *distribution*
- *sale and delivery*
- *as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)*

Public safety and national security: *This includes:*

- *police and support staff*
- *Ministry of Defence civilians*
- *contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic)*
- *fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)*
- *National Crime Agency staff*
- *those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas*

Transport: *This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.*

Utilities, communication and financial services: *This includes:*

- *staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)*
- *the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)*
- *information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response*
- *key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)*
- *postal services and delivery*
- *payments providers*
- *waste disposal sectors*

“I Can do things you Cannot, you Can do things I Cannot; together we Can do great things” Mother Teresa