# Slade Primary School 

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Dear Parents and Carers,
As I shared in last week's newsletter, the second day of proposed industrial action by the National Education Union (NEU) is planned for this Thursday 2 March.

I am therefore writing to you today with further updates on the planned action and the impact that it will have for classes here in school.

As I shared previously, a large proportion of our staff team are members of the NEU and will be taking action on this date. Once again, union members are not required to inform me whether they will be taking part in the strike. In addition, some NEU members here in school have yet to decide what action they will be taking on this second day of strikes.

Therefore, based on the information currently available to me and after completing a risk assessment with the Senior Leadership Team, I can confirm that presently only the following classes will definitely be open for children on Thursday 2 March:

- Elmer
- Gruffalo
- Hippogriff
- Dragon
- Wyvern
- Griffin
- Hydra

In addition, our Specialist Resource Provision (Titans) will also be open again for all HI children who access this support to attend. A separate email will be sent to parents of these children to confirm their attendance nearer the time.

Breakfast Club and After School Club will be open to those children whose classes are open. The school kitchen will also be able to provide school lunches where required.

All other classes, not listed above, will more than likely be closed to pupils for the day. However, this list may be subject to change even as late as the morning of 2 March. I continue to work 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. I am very sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child once again at short notice, and for the disruption to their learning too. I also understand that this situation may be frustrating but would ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect and kindness during this time. All of the staff team here at Slade continue to have my full support whatever decision they choose to make with regards to taking industrial action. Further information outlining the reasons why our staff are taking such action can be found at the following link: https://neu.org.uk/media/24511/view

Details regarding provision of learning for those children not attending school as a result of industrial action will be shared with parents of those classes on Wednesday

As always, I will continue to keep you all updated with any changes to the above information as and when I have new details to share.

Kind regards,
Karen Slade, Headteacher

