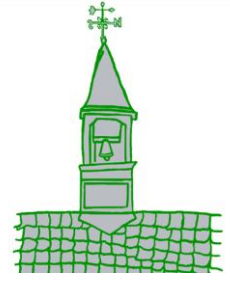




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# Fakenham Primary Federation

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Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

## NEU Strike update: 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July

Dear Parents/Carers,

Currently, the NEU are still calling on their members to take industrial action next Wednesday and Friday on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions which is still not resolved; it is not because of any issues at our school.

Based on the information I currently have, and the further staffing implications the possible strikes create then I have made the following decisions for Fakenham Primary Federation:

**Fakenham Infant and Nursery School: The school will be open for all children on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. It will be open for Nursery, Reception and Y1 but provisionally closed to Y2 on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Fakenham Junior School: The school will be fully closed for both days.**

**Before School Club and After School Club will remain open for children who are attending school on those days. However, both will be held in the green room at FINS.**

As before, the closure of year groups does not mean that every teacher is on strike, hence when making these decisions I have had to consider:

- staff I know who intend to strike.
- staff, who to this point, have not made their intention known.
- other staff absences (suitable cover for the day is restricted or not available)
- the impact on the strikes to other staff (who are not striking) meaning they cannot, or may not be able to attend, this impacts our ability to have safe provision in place.

I have discussed this decision with Synergy Multi-Academy Trust.

Staff intending to strike cannot be asked to set learning for the day and other teaching unions have made it clear that their members cannot be compelled to do this. I would like to remind you that BBC Bitesize has lots of learning activities for children to enjoy, spending time reading (including MyOn in FJS) is valuable., Timetables Rockstars, My Maths and SATS Companion is also available.

**We will continue to monitor the situation both nationally and locally in case the situation changes.**

With regards,

Adam Mason