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Part-closure of St Thomas Becket on Wednesday 1st February

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to inform you that the school will be impacted by the industrial (strike) action that NEU members are taking on Wednesday 1st February. Governors and senior leaders have worked together to establish how many pupils / classes we can still accommodate on site in view of the number of staff who will not be available that day.

I realise that this action is inconvenient for parents & carers and means that children in affected classes will miss a day of directed learning. However, I respect the democratic right of union members to take industrial action and I understand their frustrations with pay and other issues. We have an excellent teaching team here at St Thomas Becket and I know that members who have decided to take part in the industrial action will not have taken this decision lightly but will have done so because they feel that this is the best way to ensure that the profession continues to attract high-calibre candidates and retains those already working in our schools.

The following is a list of those classes who we will / will not be able to accommodate safely at school on Wednesday 1st February.

Should come to school on Wed 1 st Feb	Should not come to school on Wed 1 st Feb
Butterflies	Ladybirds
St Joseph	St Francis
St Elizabeth	St Anne
St Cecilia	St Bernadette
St Brigid	St Peter
	St Therese
	St Paul
	St Martin
	St Benedict

The NEU have also announced that industrial action is scheduled to take place on 2nd March, 15th March and 16th March. We will let you know as soon as possible if this strike action will affect St Thomas Becket.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Diarmuid Skehan