

Seaburn Dene

Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware, the National Education Union (NEU) is planning to implement further strike days next week on: **Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July 2023**. I am writing to you today to explain how this will impact classes at Seaburn Dene Primary School.

Currently, I can confirm that **some classes will be open and some will be closed**; however, please note that this could change. For example, if the unions hold successful talks with the government or there should be picketing that affects the rest of the staff coming in, then we may have to close the whole school at short notice. Please see the table below for details of individual classes and what I know so far.

| Class | Wednesday 5th July | Friday 7th July |
|-----------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Nursery | Closed | Closed |
| Reception | Closed | Closed |
| Year 1 | Open | Open |
| Year 2 | Closed | Closed |
| Year 3 | Closed | Closed |
| Year 4 | Open | Open |
| Year 5 | Open | Open |
| Year 6 | Closed | Closed |

We recommend that you start to make alternative childcare arrangements for these dates.

If, however, you are a **critical worker** and have no other alternative childcare on one or both of these days, there is a very limited number of places, outside of your child/children's year group, accessing a variety of activities, supervised by staff familiar to them. Click on this link for more information:

<https://forms.gle/w5wo9245ZamHzzY49>



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Breakfast and After-School Club will be open at the usual times for children if their classes are open on these dates. Lunch will be served to children, who are in school as normal, and arrangements will be made for any children that receive a free school meal but are unable to attend due to their class being closed.

I know this decision will be disappointing for families and will cause challenges for childcare. Industrial action is not undertaken lightly, and decisions can alter over time even in the hours before a strike day.

I will therefore keep you updated if I receive any further information or changes.

Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr John Howe
Head Teacher

