



St Mary & St Michael
Catholic Primary School
Sutton Street Commercial Road E1 0BD

Learning together hand in hand with our friend Jesus.

Friday 24th February 2023

Dear Parents/carers,

Before half term I informed you that the National Education Union (NEU) have declared strike action, which will take place on Wednesday 1st February (national strike), Thursday 2nd March (London regional strike) and Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March (national strikes)

The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and not because of any issues at our school.

The arrangements for **Thursday 2nd March** are as follows:

School will **only** be open for the following children/classes only:

- Children with an Educational Health Care Plan (a separate letter to be sent)
- Butterfly class (Ms Carstens)
- 1L (Ms Lee-Hall)
- 4B (Mr Bridge)

ALL OTHER CLASSES WILL BE CLOSED.

School lunch will be provided for the children in school.

School will open and close at the normal times. If your child is in school on Thursday 2nd March, Breakfast club, Busy clubs and After School Care will be available.

I'm sorry about the potential disruption to you and to your child's education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. St Mary and St Michael remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high-quality teaching.

On our website there are links to remote learning should parents wish to use these resources if their child will be at home on **Thursday 2nd March**

<https://st-marymichael.towerhamlets.sch.uk/our-learning/remote-learning/>

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you of the final arrangements as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office 0207 790 4986 or admin@sm-sm.co.uk

Yours faithfully,

Rachel Mahon

Headteacher