Friday 21st April
Dear parents/carers,

**Strike Action – Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May – important information**

You will be aware that the next scheduled industrial action by the NEU teaching union is due to take place on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May. Unless the union leaders come to an agreement with the government over the next few days, the strike action will take place.

For any industrial action, trade unions do not disclose which staff are in which unions and the staff themselves do not have to tell us in advance if they are going to strike. However, all staff at RMPA understand how important it is to ensure that parents and carers are well informed, so I can give you the following information.

The classes that we know will be **open** on these two days will be;

* Little Herons (Miss Bailey)
* Attenborough (F2 – Mrs Heathcote)
* Malala (Miss Barber)
* Newton (Mrs King and Mr Raven)
* Parks (Miss Webb)
* Drew (Mr Emsley)
* Earhart (Mrs Ross and Mrs Steel)
* Frank

**Children in these classes should attend school as normal.**

It is important to note that it is **only** due to the proximity of the strike days to SATs week, that the decision has been made to keep Frank class open on these two days. Mrs Essex will be teaching in place of Mr Eggleston who will be continuing to support his union in this action. This is an exceptional circumstance and will not be repeated.

Children who are classed as vulnerable will be offered a place at school – we will contact you directly if this relates to you.

For children who are not in school on these two days, learning packs will be given to them to be completed at home. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, you will be contacted by Mrs Wong in the office as a packed lunch will be available for your child.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing understanding.

Mrs Essex