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Dear Parents and Carers,

26th January 2023

In response to our earlier letter regarding the plans for strike action and in consultation with our Governing Body, we regret to inform you that we have had to take the decision to close the school to all pupils on Wednesday 1st February.

We recognise the inconvenience that this will cause for many parents, but our responsibility is to the safety and wellbeing of pupils which, in light of the limited number of staff available, we would be unable to guarantee.

Please ensure that appropriate childcare arrangements are in place for that day as you will not be able to send your child into school. If your child is eligible for free school meals, they will be emailed a food voucher for that day in the normal way.

Children will be able to access some suggested optional activities they might like to try and a list of useful educational websites on our school website. These can be found using this link:

<https://www.coulstoncofoe.co.uk/parents/strike-day-activities>

This link will only be live from the evening of Tuesday 31st January and there is no expectation that children complete these tasks.

We are working closely with our staff union representative to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further. In the event that negotiations between the Government and the education unions see the strike called off or postponed, the school will be able to open as normal on Wednesday 1st February.

Please note, school closure is only confirmed for the first of the planned dates. We will continue to review this and consider each subsequent strike day on an individual basis, carrying out new independent assessments prior to making a decision regarding further whole school or individual class closures.

If you have any questions, please contact me via the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs A Hudson
Acting Head Teacher

