

**Kilbroney Integrated Primary School**

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20th April 2023

Dear Parent,

I write to you about the planned strike action being taken by teaching unions in Northern Ireland and its impact on our school. You will be aware, from the media coverage, that a one day strike is planned for Wednesday 26th April 2023.

When a strike takes place, those taking strike action stop work and withdraw their labour. Teachers involved in strike action will, therefore, not teach their classes or undertake any other duties on the strike day.

A risk assessment has been carried out to consider the impact that the strike action will have on the health and safety of pupils, staff and visitors in order to determine if it’s possible for the school to operate safely.

As a result, it has been determined that the school will close to pupils on Wednesday 26th April 2023.

Clearly this is a difficult situation which will cause some disruption, but I would ask for your understanding. A strike by teachers is very unusual and taking strike action is not something that any teacher would undertake lightly. Those on strike have thought long and hard about their decision and will lose pay for the period that they are on strike.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Porter

Principal