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23rd June 2011

Dear parent/Carer

Re: School Closure Due to Industrial Action by the NUT and ATL Teaching Unions – 30th June 2011

It is with regret that I have to write to inform you that I have had to take the difficult decision **to close the school to students on Thursday 30th June.**

This is due to national strike action in relation to the government's proposed changes to teachers pensions. Action is being taken by the National Union of Teachers (NUT) and the Association of Teachers and Lecturers (ATL).

Their websites are as follows www.nationalunionofteachers and www.atl.org.uk where you can find more information.

We have 10 teachers in these unions and they will be taking industrial action. We have up to 15 out of 30 staff who will either be striking or out of school on trips, etc. Add to this the fact that we are a small school and the unknown i.e. further teachers being ill and it becomes too much of a risk to keep the school open.

Furthermore other teaching and support colleagues who are members of other trade unions have been instructed not to cover colleagues who are taking industrial action.

To clarify: I apologise for the short notice and for having to close the school; the school will be closed but the Battlefields trip will proceed as normal.

Many teachers will still be in school should you wish to contact them. All meetings will proceed as agreed.

Further to my letter of 10th June please remember the school is open as normal on 1st July with the training day now being 22nd July 2011.

Yours sincerely

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