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Nell Gwynn Nursery School

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Dear Parent/ Carers,

Notification of full closure of Nell Gwynn Nursery School on Thursday 27th April, 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May, 2023.

We have been informed by the **NEU Trade Union** of its proposal to take strike action both nationally and regionally over the aforementioned days. The NEU is in dispute with the Secretary of State for Education with regards to their failure to ensure enough money is available to pay a fully-funded increase in pay for teachers which at least matches inflation, and which begins to restore lost pay.

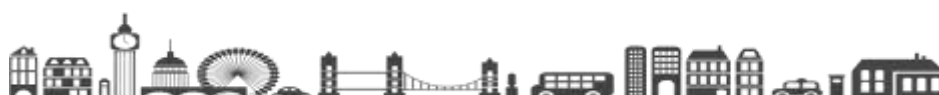
As Head of School, I have assessed the impact on the school of the strike action that is planned to take place on **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May, 2023**. After careful consideration, I have decided that the school will need to close to pupils. Due to the number of staff involved and staff who are directly impacted, there will be serious operational difficulties. This decision has not been taken lightly and I regret needing to take this action, but there will not be sufficient staff in school to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all the children.

Once again, I apologise sincerely for the difficulties these arrangements will cause to parents and carers, but unfortunately these circumstances are beyond our control. The school will **open** as normal on the days following closure: **Friday 28th April, 2023** and **Wednesday 3rd May, 2023**

If you have any queries or concerns, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Pippa Baker
(Head of School and SENCo)



The Federation of Ann Bernadt and Nell Gwynn Nursery Schools