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Good afternoon,

Thank you to everyone who has filled in the survey for our RE inspection. If you haven't yet, there is still time to follow the link in the dojo post from yesterday. The inspection will take place over 2 days this week and we should have the outcome soon after it is completed.

Sports Day

This year our Sports Days will take place over 3 sessions with fewer year groups involved so that you get a better chance to see your child in action. They will all be held on the field between 9 and 10am so that you can come straight around after dropping the children off...weather permitting of course!

The early start should be cooler for the children if we experience more very hot weather but we can't do anything about the rain so if it is forecast nearer the time, we'll let you know if there are likely to be any changes to the dates/ times.

Children taking part in Sports Day can come into school wearing their kits on these days and get changed into their uniforms after it has finished. Please remember that sports kits or branded kit are not allowed. Plain white or school PE t-shirts and navy/ black shorts should be worn by all children.

Sports Days	Tuesday, 4 th July	Wednesday, 5 th July	Thursday, 6 th July
9-10am	EYFS	Years 1, 2 and 3	Years 4, 5 and 6

Strikes- 5th and 7th July

Over the weekend, the NEU announced further industrial action in the form of strikes on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. To try to minimise lost learning, the following year groups will be attending school on the following days:

Strike Days	Wednesday 5 th July	Friday, 7 th July
In school	Years1, 2 and 3	Years 4, 5 and 6
Not in school	EYFS, Years 4, 5 and 6	EYFS, Years 1, 2 and 3

Unfortunately, due to the need for higher staffing levels, I am unable to bring our EYFS children into school. I know these strike days are inconvenient for you as parents and carers but teachers, like others, do not take the decision to strike lightly.





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School Day- changes to timings

Last year, the government informed schools that they expect us to be open for 32.5 hours each week. Although we open our gates at 8.40am, the official start time is 8.55am and finish is at 3.10pm. This leaves us with a shortfall of 15 minutes each day.

To ensure we meet government requirements, we propose that the school day changes next year so that school begins at **8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm**. These changes will be in place from September so please let us know if you have any questions or comments and we will take them into account before finalising our decision. Nursery timings will be slightly different but we will adjust them to support parents collecting other children as much as possible.

INSET Friday 30th June

Our Trust family of schools have a joint INSET day on Friday 30th June which means school will be closed to children all day. This is the last INSET day of the school year.

Kind regards Mrs Forrest

