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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for bearing with us through the snow of the last two days, and for altering arrangements for your children through the changing situations. We appreciate that it's not easy to change plans so quickly, so thank you for your flexibility and understanding with this.

Strike Update

We apologise for the timing of this information, but felt it was important to let you know what we expect to happen next week during what we hope will be the last two strike days. We can confirm that Low Ash will be partially closed to children on both Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March. Although they are not obliged to do so, a number of teachers have informed us of their intention to strike. Therefore, a number of classes will be closed to all pupils on both days.

Wednesday 15th March

The following classes will remain open:

3T - Miss Thornton's class 3SB - Miss Broadbent's class 3DB - Mr Brook's class 4L - Mrs Livermore's class (for children at the Ingleborough Hall residential & those staying at school) 4M - Mr Moorhouse's class (for children at the Ingleborough Hall residential & those staying at school) 5H – Miss Hansen's class

If your child's class is not listed above, your child should not attend school on Wednesday 15th March.

Thursday 16th March

The following classes will remain open:

1P - Mrs Painter's class 1G - Miss Gray's class 2BR - Mrs Robinson and Miss Butterill's class 2B - Miss Briggs' class 3T - Miss Thornton's class 3SB - Miss Broadbent's class 3DB - Mr Brook's class 4L – Mrs Livermore's class (for children at the Ingleborough Hall residential & those staying at school) 4M – Mr Moorhouse's class (for children at the Ingleborough Hall residential & those staying at school) 5H – Miss Hansen's class

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As last time, we have completed a risk assessment and considered several options. This time we have concluded that we will be able to stay partially open. However, the Health and Safety of our pupils in the other classes could not be maintained at an acceptable level without further members of the





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teaching team present and as a result we are unable to operate as normal for the classes which are not listed above.

Arrangements are being made for our income related Free School Meal students to have pre-prepared meals to take home the day before.

We're sorry about the disruption to you and to your child's education. We believe parents/carers know it is our policy, as illustrated throughout the pandemic, to open school as fully as possible because we believe schools being open supports families and society to function. However, on this occasion, that will not be possible.

If the government position changes, the strike action could be cancelled so please do keep checking School Ping for updates. We understand that this situation may be frustrating and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. Thank you for your continued support with this and we hope that the situation will soon be resolved.

Parking

We have yet again had complaints from residents in the surrounding streets about inconsiderate and illegal parking. Please try to walk, cycle or scoot to school when possible and, if driving is essential, park in a thoughtful and acceptable location. We would also like to remind parents/carers who come in via the nursery gate that parking on Wrose View is for residents only, and that parking wardens patrol this area regularly. There have been several fines issued recently for illegal parking on both Wrose View and Wrose Grove, so please be aware that this may be the consequence for parking there illegally.

Dates for your diary

Below are some important dates for your diary over the coming weeks.

Monday 13th March – 4M planting fruit trees at the bottom of the field with Fruit Works Tuesday 14th March – 1G visit to Industrial Museum Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th March – School is partially closed due to strike action Wednesday 15th to Friday 17th March – Year 4 residential to Ingleborough Saturday 18th March – School Swimming Gala Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th March – Nursery children visit Stump Cross Caverns

We hope you and your children have enjoyed the snow today and that you have a lovely weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Kind regards,

Fiona Meer and Beth Medhurst Co-Headteachers



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