



# CARLTON

BOLLING

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

Re: Arrangements for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and Eid Closure

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may be aware from the ongoing media coverage that the teaching unions have declared strike action, which will take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The strike is happening because of an on-going national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

We respect the teachers' right to take this action in the dispute they have with the Department of Education. However, we recognise that this will be disruptive to students' education and to parents and carers.

**I'm sorry to inform you that school will be closed Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for all year groups. We are asking you not to send your child into school on these days.**

We have not taken this decision lightly. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all of our pupils and feel that we would be unable to provide safe supervision with the staff we have available.

I'm sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice, and that they will experience disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect.

We are working closely with our staff union representatives to keep up to date with the situation, and I will inform you as soon as possible if arrangements change further.

#### **Year 6 transition day**

It has been agreed by the local authority that the year 6 transition day will continue as planned on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. On this day, students who will be joining the school in September 2023, have an opportunity to meet the staff and participate in lessons and activities. A separate letter will be sent to prospective parents detailing the specifics of the day.

#### **School closure for Eid ul Adha**

The school will be closed on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June to all students and will reopen on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Can I take this opportunity to wish everybody who is celebrating Eid, Eid Mubarak.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Azum - Head of School