

3 July 2014

Dear Parent,

## Strike action by members of the NUT, GMB and Unison on Thursday 10 July 2014

We have been informed by the National Union of Teachers, GMB and Unison that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a one day strike on Thursday 10 July 2014.

The strike is part of national industrial action and is not against The King's School itself.

There is no requirement for the union members to inform us which members of staff will take action, and it may be that they will not know themselves as there is no obligation on members of unions to obey a strike call.

Neither the Governing Body nor the Head Master is legally allowed to close the school 'in sympathy' with the strike and we will not do so. The Governing Body have undertaken a risk assessment regarding the health, safety and welfare of students and non-striking staff on 10 July in the absence of some teaching and support staff.

Having considered this matter very carefully we have decided to keep the school fully open, though some lessons may be disrupted.

In the event of disruption to lessons boys will have a supervised private study session in the main school hall. It would be helpful for your son to have a reading book with him.

Any decision to change these arrangements will be notified via the school website.

Yours sincerely,

F. Hedley Head Master P. Ross Chair of Governors