Friday 20th January 2023

Dear All,

**What’s going on?**

This week our after school clubs started. They remain as popular as ever and the children always enjoy themselves. Next week Year 3 are off to the Natural History Museum, a trip cancelled before Christmas due to the weather and rail strike. I am positive they will have a great time.

**Strike Action February 1st 2023**

You will have heard in the press this week that the National Education Union has voted to arrange a series of strikes, in protest of teachers’ pay and conditions, and lack of school funding. At Perrymount, this means that

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 6

will be closed on this day.

I am sure that you will understand that our dedicated and hardworking teachers have not taken this decision lightly. The NEU explain: "This is not about a pay rise but correcting historic real-terms pay cuts”.

Whilst staff are aware of the inconvenience that the strike will cause families, teachers across the UK are asking the Government to listen to their concerns, reconsider their stance, protect education and fund children’s services.

School will run as normal for all other children.

**Family Thrive**

Do not forget next **Thursday January 26th at 9.15am** Charlotte from **Family Thrive** will be in school. Charlotte will be explaining how this organisation can support families. Please come along and find out what they have to offer. Refreshments provided.

Best wishes

Christine Keen

Headteacher