



# MASON MOOR

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 14 March 2023

### School Closure on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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Dear Parent or Carer,

For the last two teacher strike days, Mason Moor remained fully open to all pupils. Not an easy task given the number of teachers absent - but we managed to avoid closure with the hard-work and determination of the wider staff team.

This Wednesday and Thursday (15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March) we are regrettably closing the school during the strike days, because we cannot provide the ratio needed to safely open. Not only is this decision compounded by the teacher strike, but by the current Year 6 residential where a number of staff are away supervising our children; as well as staff sickness with a number of teachers and support staff absent with a sickness bug.

As you are aware, we take seriously our responsibility for ensuring that our children's basic needs are met. To support parents and carers, the school kitchen will provide a meal for your child to collect on each of the strike days to ensure that they have a lunch.

**Details for collecting a lunch:**

Please arrive via Helvellyn Road gates between 12 – 1pm only.

We expect children who are considered vulnerable to attend on the days of the strike action and parents and carers will be contacted about the attendance of these pupils only. **We do not have capacity to admit key-worker children on this occasion due to staff shortages.**

Work packs are being brought home by children this evening. Further, we encourage children and parents and carers to work on the curriculum project for an exhibit at the Mason Moor Museum on 31 March 2022.

We will see all our families again on Friday 17 March.

Yours sincerely,

DJ Constable-Phelps .

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Executive Headteacher