# St. Enda's National School

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Dear Parents

Just a quick update:

**Work to Rule**
Both teachers and SNAs will be working to rule next week, beginning on Monday. This industrial action will potentially escalate to a full school closure on Wednesday, the 14th of October.
A work to rule policy means there will be no interruption to day-to day teaching and care. There will be changes prior to the school opening. We will only accept children onto school grounds at the bell at 9:10am. Unfortunately, we can make no exceptions due to weather etc. We will be in contact with the bus companies.
The official end of school day is 2.55pm. We will take responsibility for putting children on buses etc. If, however, we have children who are constantly not collected on time, we will be in contact with parents advising them that their children will technically not be supervised by school staff after 2.55pm.

Club Gaeilge will operate as normal.

All meetings/fieldtrips/activities will take place during the school day and there is likely to be a delay to replying to emails/phone calls.

I'd like to finish by saying that nobody is happy with this. It goes against the staff's nature to withdraw flexibility and goodwill. We pride ourselves on pushing boundaries and have been known to get going on fieldtrips at the crack of dawn. Hopefully a solution can be found as soon as possible.

**Fieldtrips**
Speaking of pushing boundaries and fieldtrips, you'd struggle to find another school who embarked on three fieldtrips in a week. Instead of reading about the Burren, on Monday and Tuesday we sent two classes off finding fossils, exploring castles and hearing folktales in the area.
This was followed yesterday but a class taking advantage of our location and exploring the rockpools at Lahinch.
Thank you to all involved!

**Sensory Garden**
Thank you to all the children who have helped me planting 25 shrubs and countless bulbs this week in our Sensory Garden. It's great to see work progressing and we hope to have a new surface in very soon.

That's all from me, have a great weekend,
Brian