

## Parentkind Second Strike Poll England (March 2023)

### Methodology

Polling was carried out online between 8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023, with recruitment through social media. **1,058 parents who are not currently working in or employed by a school responded.** Two thirds of parents (68%) have a child in primary school and 56% a child in secondary.

### Key findings


- 72% of parents agree that teachers should receive a pay settlement in line with current inflation.
- 63% of parents support teachers striking (54% strongly support and 9% tend to support) whilst 29% of parents oppose the strikes (18% strongly and 11% tend to oppose).
- 84% of parents believe any pay rise for teachers should be funded by additional money from the government whilst 8% said it should be paid for by schools out of their existing budgets.
- 83% of parents are concerned about the impact of teacher shortages at their child's school.
- 73% of parents have faced disruption due to the teachers' strikes (30% significant disruption and 43% some disruption). 27% of parents haven't faced any disruption.
- 38% of parents agree with the government's proposal that schools must ensure a minimum service level is maintained for teachers to be allowed to strike whilst 50% of parents disagree.

### Results





1. To what extent do you agree that teachers should receive a pay settlement in line with current inflation? Tick one				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree	<div></div>	56.14%	594
2	Tend to agree	<div></div>	15.41%	163
3	Neither agree nor disagree	<div></div>	9.36%	99
4	Tend to disagree	<div></div>	10.02%	106
5	Strongly disagree	<div></div>	9.07%	96
6	Don't know		0.00%	0
			answered	1058
			skipped	0

2. In your opinion, should any pay rise for teachers be funded by additional money from the government or paid for by schools out of their existing budgets? Tick one				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Additional funding from the government	<div></div>	83.74%	886
2	Paid out of existing school budgets	<div></div>	8.03%	85





2. In your opinion, should any pay rise for teachers be funded by additional money from the government or paid for by schools out of their existing budgets? Tick one

3	Don't know		8.22%	87
			answered	1058
			skipped	0







3. To what extent are you concerned about the impact of teacher shortages at your child's school?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Very concerned		52.60%	536
2	Somewhat concerned		30.32%	309
3	Not particularly concerned		12.66%	129
4	Not at all concerned		5.10%	52
			answered	1019
			skipped	39







4. Have the teachers' strikes caused disruption to you and/or your family? Tick one

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes, significant disruption		29.71%	314
2	Yes, some disruption		43.52%	460
3	No disruption		26.30%	278
4	Don't know		0.47%	5
			answered	1057
			skipped	1







5. Have you/your partner had to take any of the following steps in response to the teachers' strikes? Tick all that apply

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Taking time off work		41.63%	440
2	Paying for additional childcare		9.84%	104
3	Arranging additional unpaid childcare		23.75%	251
4	Supporting your child/children with learning directly		28.67%	303
5	No, we haven't needed to do anything different		31.22%	330
6	Other (please give details):		7.38%	78
			answered	1057
			skipped	1

6. To what extent do you agree with the government's proposal that schools must ensure a minimum service level is maintained for teachers to be allowed to strike? Tick one

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		26.52%	280
2	Tend to agree		10.98%	116
3	Neither agree nor disagree		9.47%	100
4	Tend to disagree		12.59%	133
5	Strongly disagree		37.03%	391
6	Don't know		3.41%	36
			answered	1056
			skipped	2

7. To what extent do you support teachers striking in response to proposals for a below inflation pay rise? Tick one

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly support		54.17%	572
2	Tend to support		8.81%	93
3	Neither support nor oppose		7.58%	80
4	Tend to oppose		10.51%	111
5	Strongly oppose		18.47%	195
6	Don't know		0.47%	5
			answered	1056
			skipped	2