

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

SIDE arrangements for teacher Industrial Action

As you may be aware, the Department of Education is negotiating with the State School Teachers' Union (SSTUWA) to reach an industrial agreement. While these negotiations are still ongoing, the SSTUWA has proposed industrial action for half a day on the **morning of Tuesday 23rd April.**

This industrial action means some teachers and school administrators will not be teaching at the direction of their union. This action will impact for the first few hours of the morning, beginning at 8am, with all teachers ready to teach by 12.30pm.

SIDE has a significant number of teaching staff and administrators who are members of the union. The school will remain open; however, there will be disruptions to the normal teaching and learning programs.

SIDE students attending the Leederville site

Students scheduled to attend Leederville on Tuesday will follow their normal program, with non-instructional supervision provided where necessary. Students will be able to engage with the teachers who are present and/or undertake private study. Teaching will recommence as soon as the industrial action concludes.

OLNA testing at the Leederville site

OLNA testing scheduled for Tuesday 23rd April will go ahead as planned. Students booked in on this date are required to attend.

Students attending online lessons

SIDE teachers not engaged in the industrial action will be running their lessons as per normal. Lessons that are running will be recorded and available for students to view later.

Students should log into their scheduled classes. If the teacher does not commence the lesson after five minutes, then students can log off and engage in private study or other learning opportunities.

Students enrolled at other schools who study through SIDE online should check with their host school regarding supervision arrangements during the stop work action. As per normal, SIDE does not provide physical duty of care for students who are not onsite at one of the SIDE campuses.

If you have any queries, please call the school on 9311 1400.

Kind regards

Paul Mathews Principal 19 April 2024