

South Dartmoor Community College

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Dear Parent / Carer

INDUSTRIAL ACTION - SOUTH DARTMOOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

As you will be aware, this Thursday is the second of four potential strike days by members of the National Education Union. Talks were due to take place this weekend between the Government and Union leaders but, at the time of writing, no resolution has been achieved.

Once again, we have carried out extensive risk assessments and staffing calculations for this day based on the information we have. We have taken into consideration Year 11 mock exams, which we want to ensure go ahead, and Body Language preparations. As a result, we will do much the same as last time and remain open to students in Years 7, 11, 12 and 13, plus for all those students involved in Body Language, regardless of their year group. We will be closed to all other students in Years 8, 9 and 10.

Students in Years 7, 11, 12 and 13 should therefore attend as normal, although Sixth Form students will need to come into college ready to study independently in case their teacher is absent on the day. Students who are in school will have their classes covered, where necessary, by Senior members of staff.

Students who are in Body Language will use the day for rehearsal, much as they would have done on a usual school day. They may come to school in their dance clothes and Mrs Slater will brief them further regarding the details of the day during the course of this week.

Home study for students in Years 8, 9 and 10 will be the same as the previous strike day, with Maths, English and Science work being posted on Classcharts for students to complete and then the <u>Super</u> Curriculum signposted to students to enable them to learn deeper in other subjects.

If students do not have their Classcharts code they can speak to their tutor who will be able to reissue it. If you have any queries regarding the work set, you can email admin@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk in the first instance. Please bear in mind that not all staff will be in on that day so there may be a delay in replying.

Information on Free School Meal provision, for those who are entitled to it, will be sent out as appropriate shortly. Bus arrangements remain unchanged.

Many thanks

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