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PPTA Industrial Action

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Faka'alofa lahi atu, Bula vinaka, Namaste, Warm greetings,

I am writing to inform you of the latest industrial action confirmed and proposed by the PPTA (secondary teachers' union) in support of their claim.

Currently, the industrial action is in two parts, confirmed and unconfirmed. The confirmed action is:

- Continuation of the ban on relief from Term 1
- A ban on meetings outside of normal working hours (8.20 am - 4.20 pm). These include; student conferences, open evenings etc.

Action yet to be confirmed is:

- Refusal to teach nominated year levels on allocated days (timetable below).
- Rolling full-day strikes by region.

Dates for unconfirmed industrial action are as follows:

- Thursday 11 May - Full day strike. School will only be open for supervision of students unable to remain at home.
- Thursday 4 May - Year 11 students rostered home.
- Tuesday 9 May - Year 12 students rostered home (subject teacher conferences)
- Tuesday 16 May - Year 9 students rostered home (supervision available if necessary)
- Wednesday 17 May - Year 10 students rostered home
- Thursday 25 May - Year 11 students rostered home
- Tuesday 30 May - Year 13 students rostered home
- Thursday 1 June - Year 12 students rostered home
- Tuesday 6 June - Year 10 students rostered home
- Thursday 8 June - Year 9 students rostered home

We realise that this causes significant disruption to students' learning and remind our families that learning activities are available online through our website under the curriculum tab. Should the Ministry of Education and the PPTA reach a settlement then the above unconfirmed actions may not take place. All of our staff hope that this is able to happen quickly so that we can fully focus on getting on with learning.

Please be aware that this is out of the school's control and is happening across the country in all state secondary schools.

Ngā mihi nui,



Simon Craggs
Tumuaki/Principal