



16 October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: INSET Days**

As we continue to improve and refine our best practices to support the educational offer at Isle of Wight Studio School, we have organised a number of professional training days for our staff, the first of which is on Monday 30 October 2017. Therefore, school will be closed for all students on this day. This means that for our Year 10 students who have begun Work Placements, they will go into work on Tuesday 31 October and return back to school Wednesday 1 November. All Year 11 students and any Year 10 students who have not started their Work Placements will return to school on Tuesday 31 October.

Teachers in the state schooling system are required to undertake a number of In-Service Training days, otherwise known as INSET days, per year in addition to the 190 days of delivered teaching.

The purpose of these days is to enable schools to build in time for whole school training, development of curriculum and initiatives and allow moderation to be undertaken.

Dates are carefully selected to ensure as little disruption to learning as possible. Students will be expected to complete independent study from home on these days (unless at work experience) and staff will ensure they are furnished with appropriate work.

The following days have been planned so far:

- Monday 30 October
- Thursday 4 January
- Monday 23 July

Further dates to be planned throughout the year are to be confirmed.

If you need further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Richard White  
Headteacher