

**SAASLA** South Australian Area School Leaders Association (SAASLA) presents



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# Sir John Jones

## Eight Pillars of Effective Teaching and Learning

The Lakes Resort – West Lakes

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May & Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May



Knighthood in 2003 for his services to education, Sir John worked most of his professional life in challenging schools across the North West of England, his last post being the head-teacher of a large secondary school in Merseyside.

His achievements and reputation for straight talking, leadership and creativity led him to be invited onto various organizations, panels and think tanks including the National College for School Leadership, the DfES' Leadership Development Unit, the Teacher Development Agency's National Remodelling Unit and visiting posts with both Manchester and Liverpool Universities.

Sir John has also proven himself to be one of the most entertaining, inspiring and sought-after speakers on the global educational stage. Sir John retains a very down to earth approach to education, believing it to be about social change, never just about ticking boxes or meeting targets and is guaranteed to give all those who come into contact with him food for thought, practical ideas that will make a difference and a genuine and moving sense of awe at the power teachers have to change young lives.

During this forum Sir John will share his Eight Pillars of Effective Teaching and Learning, and the importance of having a 'dream weaver' in every classroom to provide real opportunities for students to have access to a high quality and engaging education. His Eight Pillars include:

- Courage - be courageous as educators
- Caring for everyone individual, especially the invisible
- Creativity is for all, not just for the select few or the arts
- Coaching through helping to learn rather than teach – "help me be what I can"
- Collaborative – you can't do this job on your own
- Curious – the art of asking brilliant questions
- Communication – the importance of talking to everyone
- Contented – there is no perfect plan, just get started, one thing at a time.

Sir John will challenge teachers to reignite their passion for teaching by acknowledging that each one of them has a significant influence on every child and young person within each of their classes. We need to accept that we are very lucky people, there is no other profession on earth that has such an impact.

The SAASLA conference spans two days, Monday is open to everyone (prices below for non-members), Tuesday is the second day of the SAASLA conference and Sir John Jones will be working with SAASLA members for the morning session. Non-members (outside of Area Schools) may be able to attend depending upon registration numbers.

#### Prices:

- Costs for Non-members (non Area School based) for Monday \$220 – including catered morning tea & lunch. (\$300 for access to both days – no Monday night dinner).
- Non-members pay for Monday night dinner if they wish to attend (approx. \$80 per head)
- Cost for SAASLA members \$175 for the two days – this will include an Association dinner on the Monday night, full day with Sir John Jones on Monday, half day on Tuesday, morning tea and lunch on both days.
- “Non Member but Area School based” - \$300 access both days and Monday dinner, or \$150 for access to Monday only.

#### SAASLA Conference format:

Monday - Sir John Jones : Eight Pillars of Effective Teaching and Learning

Monday evening - SAASLA Conference Dinner

Tuesday - morning Sir John Jones, afternoon SAASLA focused session

**Time:** Monday 8.30am to 4.00pm, Tuesday 8.30am to 3.00pm

#### Accommodation:

The Lakes Resort currently has twenty rooms on hold for SAASLA members on both Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> and Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of May at a reduced conference rate of \$170 for a Deluxe Suite and \$185 for Executive Spa Suite per night twin share. To book these rooms at the reduced rate please mention that you are involved in the SAASLA (SA Area Schools) conference or state Group Booking Number: #150651

Members of Executive from the Western Australian District High School Administrators Association (WA equivalent to Area Schools) will be attending the conference.

**To register for the “Sir John Jones presented by SAASLA” sessions, visit *plink* at [www.plink.sa.edu.au](http://www.plink.sa.edu.au)**

1. If you have not accessed *plink* before, click the “LearnLink” icon on the *plink* homepage to login to *plink* using your LearnLink/Intranet credentials.
2. After logging into *plink*, click “Search Professional Learning.” The “Sir John Jones presented by SAASLA” sessions can be found in the “for Teachers” and “for Leaders” catalogues.



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