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Education: The acid test

The Department of Education will have to find common ground with teacher unions in the standoff over the Annual National Assessments.

<http://tinyurl.com/oonag35>

Tech in schools won't fix education

For countries that invested heavily in ensuring that every child had access to laptops in schools, digital reading performance actually got worse between 2009 and 2012.

<http://tinyurl.com/p4aaqwu>

The rise of the low-fee private school

Low-fee independent schools are sprouting up in poor areas largely as a result of the government's continued failure to provide an adequate number of schools.

<http://tinyurl.com/o584uke>

For South Africa to have a future, Minister Motshekga must win the war against Sadtu

Around the democratic world, teachers unions are something governments hate. They can be public enemies in some states of the US (public schools in Seattle were closed last week due to a strike), the UK and many many parts of Europe. But because education is both so important and requires so many people, governments are in a bind.

<http://tinyurl.com/pdde2cq>

According to the education unions the ANA adds no value to the South African learner

Organised labour in the Basic Education sector, strongly believes that the ANA in its current form, is not in the best interest of our learners or for the provision of quality education. It must be noted that no South African learner will be disadvantaged by not writing the ANA as it has never been used for promotional purposes.

<http://tinyurl.com/ojtl6mg>

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