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Dear Parents

YEAR 7 PROGRESS MEETINGS Tuesday 26 June 2018

You are invited to an evening of Progress Meetings (Parent/Staff/Pupil) with staff who teach your son this year. It will be held on **Tuesday 26 June from 6.00pm**. **The School expects all Year 7 boys to attend with their parents** as we regard these meetings as a vital method of communication between staff, parents and pupils and a means of encouraging boys to take responsibility for their own learning and progress. Boys are to wear school winter uniform <u>with coats on</u>. If you are unable to attend, please make contact with your son's Housemaster so that other arrangements may be made for communicating information to you.

Prior to the evening your son will have had the opportunity to arrange an interview schedule for you by means of an appointments planner that is in the front of his diary. This will be done approximately 2 weeks prior to the night. Once this is filled in (staff will help him with this in class), it would be a good idea to bring this on the night so that the appointments are readily at hand. Members of staff will be available for an interview of five minutes. This time limit is imposed to ensure everyone the opportunity of an interview. Boys will arrange your interviews at ten-minute intervals (at least) to give time for movement from one room to another. If at an interview there is a need for fuller discussion between you and a particular member of the staff, arrangements may be made for such a meeting to be held at a later date. Interviews are mainly held in the Benefactors building which is on your right as you enter through the main gates.

Boys must be prepared to contribute to the meetings and are likely to be asked by staff at the meeting to comment on their progress. It would be helpful if they highlighted areas of strength and areas of concern to this stage this year. Some key reflective questions that boys should ask themselves with regard to their progress are:

- What am I doing well?
- In which areas do I need to improve?
- What will I do to improve?

It would be appreciated if parents would discuss these questions with their sons before attending the progress meetings.

Parking in North Sydney is limited and not available in the front drive but you may park in the Bishopsgate carpark off Union Street or in the main School Quad which can be accessed through the Edward Street gate adjacent to the Preparatory School. If the weather is dry, School Oval will be available for parking via the Edward Street gate on the left just past the basketball courts.

We very much look forward to meeting with you to discuss your son's progress.

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