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FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

"Focusing on student growth matters because it enables every student to progress regardless of starting point or capabilities". (Gonski Report 2018)

Next week, parents of Junior School students will have the opportunity to speak to the class teacher during Parent-Teacher Interviews. We want to hear about your child – goals for their learning and wellbeing, behaviours they display at home, information that help form a picture of your child – so that we can provide instruction that supports all the learners in our classrooms.

Teachers will be listening, asking questions and giving an overview of the learning behaviours observed so far in 2023.

These interviews will help set up a strong year of growth.

NAPLAN is one way we can measure student learning growth. From 2023, NAPLAN will now be undertaken in Term 1 and will take place from **Wednesday 15 March to Monday 27 March**. The reason for this change is so that results can be returned to schools earlier in the year which will support teachers to understand the learning needs of their students and plan accordingly.

We look forward to a year of learning for all our students. This will be done most effectively with positive partnerships built between teachers, students and parents, with open communication the key.

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