What is a Student Led Conference

A Student Led Conference is a pre-planned meeting in which your child can demonstrate their responsibility for their learning. Your child and their teacher will select work samples for you to discuss with your child. They will also demonstrate new learning.

Your child will lead the conversation to show what they have learned, demonstrate their strengths and indicate how they would like to improve.

Portfolios

At this interview, you will have the chance to share your child’s Portfolio.

This folder is a collection of assessment tasks and work selected by your child and their teacher to reflect learning. It will go home with your child at the end of the year. It will be a place to keep school photographs, awards, cds and reports so you will have a record of your child’s year to keep for the future.
What is the Role of the Parent?

**Before the Conference Parents should:**
Encourage your child’s involvement in all learning and school activities.
Become familiar with the process.
Support your child’s participation. (They are really excited)
Think about questions you could ask.

**On the Conference day Parents should:**
Provide encouragement and praise.
Be punctual.
Be prepared to question your child about their learning.

**After the Conference Parents should:**
Congratulate your child on their effort.
Take the opportunity to look around your child’s classroom and specialist areas.
Use the interview to keep talking about school.

What is the Role of the Student?

**Before the Conference your child will:**
Collect work samples.
Review their work with their teacher.
Think about the learning involved in each piece of work.

**During the Conference your child will:**
Share and discuss their learning with their parents/family.
Identify strengths and possible learning goals for the future.
Look at ways they can improve their learning.

**After the Conference your child will:**
Discuss the value of sharing what they have learnt.
Follow up the ideas discussed to improve their learning.

What is the role of the Teacher?

**Before the Conference your child’s teacher will:**
Help your child choose and plan their discussion.
They will give them many opportunities to practice the interview.

**During the Interview your child’s teacher will:**
Oversee the interviews taking place in the room at the same time and keep an eye on the time.

**After the Interview your child’s teacher will:**
Reflect on the experience with your child and help them review the process.

REMEMBER

*You may make an appointment with a teacher to discuss your child’s progress at any time*