Year 7 MYBennies Student Learning Conferences – FAQs for Parents

Thursday 12 November 2026, 8.35am – 10.40am

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

What is a Student Learning Conference?

Our Student Learning Conferences (SLCs) are designed to give students a voice in reporting to their parents and Homeroom Mentor about their learning processes and progress. We see the SLCs as an opportunity for your daughter to improve her communication and be reflective about her learning with you and her Homeroom Mentor. We believe that strong communication pathways lead to greater opportunity for deeper, richer learning for all. They also help to foster a home-school partnership with Homeroom Mentors

How will the Student Learning Conferences be arranged?

- All SLCs will be delivered through the online platform Zoom.
- There will be 5 available times for each of the College's Homeroom Mentors between 8.35am and 10.40am on Thursday 12 November 2026.
- Each SLC is **20 minutes** in duration.
- **The booking system (via the Sentral Parent Portal) will open for bookings on Thursday 29 October 9.00am and close on Wednesday 11 November at 9.00am.**
- **Bookings are unable to be made or changed after the booking closing time. One timeslot is available for each student. At the time of booking, you will receive an email confirmation which will include your Zoom link.**
- **Parents that share parental responsibility are requested to please collaborate regarding their booking.**
- A reminder that the URL to access the Parent Portal is: https://sentral.msb.nsw.edu.au/auth/portal or via the College Webpage, by selecting Online Services in the top right hand corner. Should you have any difficulties using the system, you can contact the College ICT team on 02 9980 0499 or by email help@msb.nsw.edu.au

What does my daughter need to do beforehand?

Your daughter, in conversation with her MYBennies teacher, will be preparing for their SLC. Students will be asked to reflect on a range of different aspects related to their own learning and gather work samples of this to display their strengths, interests and challenges thus far in some of her subjects at MSB. Your daughter will be reflecting on these work samples using the College's Application to Learning Skills.

Your daughter may, for example, produce a small portfolio of these tasks ready for her SLC. She will also choose the presentation style she thinks is most appropriate for the online delivery of this meeting.

What if I cannot participate?

Please encourage a Grandparent or another member of your extended family to be involved. If there is no one available, please inform your daughter's Homeroom Mentor. There are no alternate times available outside of the session on Thursday 12 November 2026. The SLC will still proceed with your daughter and her Homeroom Mentor, and a recording will be available to you.

What if I would like further information about my daughter's learning?

Should you wish to discuss the progress of your daughter in any of her subjects, you will need to make contact via email with the classroom teacher to arrange a separate time for this discussion to take place. Details of a pastoral nature would happen via your daughter's Homeroom Mentor or Head of House.

How can I give feedback about this learning initiative?

As with all aspects of the work for MYBennies, we welcome and encourage feedback from all our valued stakeholders as we co-create this work with students, staff and parents. It is a key tool in affirming the quality of our programs for your daughter.

Following the SLC, you will also be sent a link and are invited to complete a very short online feedback questionnaire.

Any other questions?

Please feel free to contact your daughter's MYBennies teacher or the MYBennies Coordinator, Annette Swinfield aswinfield@msb.nsw.edu.au should you have any other questions or concerns.