**Advice for Parents of Year 13 Students for PSTs**

Many schools will be conducting three way conversations with students, teachers and parents during the academic year. To assist parents of students who are tracking towards the University Entrance qualification to engage fully in this conversation, we recommend sharing the following questions with your parents in advance of the meeting. This will help them to clearly identify the next steps for their child:

* How is my son/daughter tracking with their achievement in their approved subjects for University Entrance?
* When will all the internal assessments be completed? How are they doing with their achievement in these?
* How are they doing with the UE Literacy requirement? What other requirements do they need?
* How is my son/daughter doing in courses which have a high external examination component? Might they need extra support, such as tutoring?
* How can the school help my child prepare for external exams? Will it be offering a tutorial programme?
* What are the deadlines for a) applying for the tertiary course/s my child is interested in, b) applying for accommodation if they intend to study outside of Auckland and c) scholarships available for financial support?
* Is there a Plan B in place for my child if they don’t attain the UE qualification this year? Are there opportunities the school can provide in January to help get them there?
* What can the school tell me about the University of Auckland’s Unibound course? (This is a six month academic preparation transition course which begins in summer school in January. Fees are waived for the summer school paper, free accommodation is offered as well as other benefits. Students can gain 30 points towards their Bachelor’s degree. For more information see:

<https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/for/future-undergraduates/fu-study-options/fu-preparation-programmes/fu-unibound.html>)

* What can we do at home to support our child with their study needs and preparing for tertiary study?