

Education Is The Key To Success



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The Centralian Middle School (CMS) Clontarf Academy students were visited by three NRL Players from the Parramatta Eels during the week, where our boys had the opportunity to get up close and personal with some of their League role models.

Education was the key theme for the session and it raised plenty of conversation amongst the 45 boys who participated.

Upon arriving at our room, the players were treated to a welcome from one of our boys and a tour of the Academy room. Our boys received a real insight into how a professional club operates, and the many common values our Foundation and the NRL share in common. Respect, commitment, leadership, healthy lifestyles, and of course, the continually evolving education of one's self.

The CMS Clontarf students were incredibly respectful towards the Parramatta representatives and asked a host of intriguing and insightful questions varying from work-life balance commitments and what the players' greatest fears and challenges were as professional athletes.

Each student left the session better informed and with a new understanding and appreciation about what it takes to not only be an elite athlete but also a role model and respectful figure in their community.

