Don’t be afraid to succeed: actor

COLLEGE WELCOMES INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

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PYMBLE Ladies’ College students Bridget Titasey, Lily Bougoure, Tayla Sampson, Natalie Roe and Mary Kerr were keen to be in a photo with Redfern Now actor Aaron McGrath at the

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students experience day at Sydney University.

“As an Aboriginal and an individual, never be afraid to succeed.” McGrath told

the Years 7-8 students from 24 schools.

The Year 12 Christian Brothers student made his speech during Reconciliation Week as part of the university’s drive to make sure Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students felt welcome at the campus. Director of social inclusion Annette Cairnduff said they wanted to encourage a diverse cohort of people into the university.

“Today is about starting a conversation with young people at high schools,” Ms Cairnduff said.

“If your parents haven’t been to university, it might not feature in the conversations at home.”

McGrath talked about his schooling and ambitions.

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With his sights set on an acting career, McGrath got some practice on how to deal with fans as students lined up to have their photos taken with him.
Pymble Ladies' College students Bridget Titasey, Lily Bougoure, Tayla Sampson, actor Aaron McGrath, Natalie Roe and Mary Kerr.

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