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an education for life



 YEATS COLLEGE

Masters in Educational Success

**High School Student Programme**

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## PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Upon entering Yeats College you will immediately notice that it is a centre of enthusiasm and challenge, encouragement and growth. Open the door of any Yeats College classroom and you will see groups of focused, involved students being actively engaged by energetic and motivational teachers.

At Yeats College we truly believe that every student has the ability to achieve their own personal goals, once inspired and motivated effectively. Our proven ethos in education empowers students to face the challenges ahead with a confidence and determination that is much more than an academic skill – it is a life lesson well learned and an essential preparation for the open journey of life.

**TERRY FAHY – PRINCIPAL**



## OUR VALUES

Yeats College is a privately funded school dedicated to students success. Our students are expected to be hard-working, respectful and fair-minded. We welcome students from a wide variety of religious denominations and encourage each student to embrace their own spirituality. We believe that our beliefs and values have helped our students to reach the pinnacle of their potential and have earned us our reputation as the Masters in Educational Success.



## INTRODUCTION

**It is not surprising that so many International Students study in Ireland.  
Indeed there are many reasons for this.**

We know the value that you place on your education and this means that you are not influenced by cultural promises alone, you demand and deserve only the best. You can see the value that an Irish private school and third level education can offer, with internationally renowned qualifications, highly respected universities, and a wide variety of graduate career opportunities.

Ireland has emerged as a centre of excellence and a global leader in the provision of education, adding significant value to the careers of the 200,000 international students that choose Ireland each year. The Leaving Certificate is the Irish State second level examination used for the purposes of selection into university education. The course provides students with a broad and balanced education while allowing for some specialisation. It is viewed by many in Europe as the gold standard in pre-university preparation, similar to the UK A-Levels, and allowing students to study six subjects to a very advanced level. The examination helps our students to compete with the highest international standards and is a vital stepping stone to third level education.

The Leaving Certificate creates a foundation which allows both Irish and International students to flourish.



**RECOGNISED IN IRELAND  
FOR TRULY EXCEPTIONAL RESULTS**

## YEATS COLLEGE - OUR ETHOS

**At Yeats College, we provide an education that will enrich each student, fostering a positive mindset which will help them to succeed in all aspects of life. In our experience, our international students are committed and dedicated pupils who admire our ethos and possess a solid work ethic. They enjoy studying in a motivated environment and experience a sense of empowerment and accomplishment.**

Our positioning at the top of academic leader boards, and our reputation as the Masters in educational success, have seen our international student community grow to over twelve percent of the current student population. These students view Yeats College as an integral component in their ability to progress to further education.

At Yeats College, our one year and two year High School Programmes not only provide an access route to third level institutions, they deliver a

comprehensive and thorough preparation for the challenges of university life. It would be short-sighted for us to focus solely on the Irish system though, as many of our international students choose to study in the United Kingdom, USA, Europe, indeed all over the world.

Keeping the diversity of third level aspirations in mind, our High School Programme has been carefully researched and is tailored to prepare students for the challenges and goals of their educational journey.

We are unique in the provision of SAT preparation which takes place in conjunction with the Irish state examination curriculum. We believe in helping you to keep your options open and after your year at Yeats College you will be prepared to study at an International University or embark on your preferred course in one of Ireland's many prestigious universities.



*"I completed the Leaving Certificate in one year instead of two and passed all of my exams! How... The wonderful staff and blessed teachers who always taught me to aim high and never give up! Where... you got it right Yeats College"*  
*Niraj Ladha from Tanzania - Dar es Salaam.*

Your studies will be engaging, fulfilling and rewarding and you will work with a passion to achieve. You can choose from a variety of subjects without restriction, cover curriculum that you are interested in and that will feature in your future career, take part in classroom discussion and occasional debates, and study with like-minded individuals who embrace our educational ethos! The hours are comprehensive and the timetable is structured to help you maximize your learning potential. We provide a

holistic approach to education, encouraging our students to keep their body and mind healthy through exercise and healthy eating. Our on campus restaurant offers homemade breakfast, lunches and dinners, and our gym provides modern exercise equipment and fitness classes.

Of course you will also become immersed in all that Ireland's vibrant cities have to offer and for down time you will get to explore the rugged countryside and trace

Ireland's rich history. You will take trips to the Cliffs of Moher, a weekend break to the Aran Islands, a drive through the stunning Connemara landscape and a visit to Trinity College. You will participate in Irish cultural traditions, make friends with students from Ireland and all over the world, and form strong bonds with members of the Yeats College international student community.

*"The year that I spent at Yeats College was the best year of my entire second level education. I made really good friends there and many of them are among my best-friends now; I think it is because we were all united by work. The teachers were friendly, approachable and always able to answer my questions. They organized a Christmas concert which I really enjoyed and while you do work hard it is also very rewarding"*  
*Sean Dillane*





*Larissa Higgins, recipient of the Department of Education Patriot Award for achieving first in Ireland in three Leaving Certificate subjects. Currently studying medical research.*



*Fantastic Results at Yeats College Galway (L-R); Chris de Souza (575 pts) Dentistry, Darrell Martin (580 pts) Medicine, Eoghan O'Connor (590 pts) Veterinary, Gerard Browne (565 pts) Medicine and Diarmuid O'Connor (590 pts) Medicine, pictured celebrating their success in the Leaving Certificate.*

**43% of YEATS COLLEGE students achieved 500pts or Over**

**41% of YEATS COLLEGE students scored A's in Chemistry** *National Average 20%*

**38% of YEATS COLLEGE students scored A's in Biology** *National Average 17%*

**35% of YEATS COLLEGE students scored A's in French** *National Average 14%*

**19% of YEATS COLLEGE students scored 550pts or Over - class of 2012**

## OUR STUDENTS' OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS

Established in 1992, our College and its successes have consistently grown over the decades producing highly accomplished alumni who have gone on to build successful careers in the fields of Medicine, Law, Education, Business and Science. We have educated some of Ireland's brightest talent and follow their progress with great interest and pride.

Year on year, our positioning on the leader boards reflects our students outstanding academic ability. In 2012, 43% of our students were awarded over 500 points out of the maximum 625, significantly outperforming the national average. Twenty-two of our students achieved a place studying Medicine at an Irish University and our results were four times more successful than the national average. Annually, almost 97% of our student's progress to third level education and many are recipients of impressive academic awards and scholarships. Our students achieve places on the most coveted university courses and the College is recognised as one of the top feeder schools to Irish universities, notably Trinity College, UCD and NUI Galway.

*"Just a few words about Yeats... it really is one of the best schools out there. I couldn't have asked for more; the teachers were so helpful to me, whenever there was anything I needed or didn't understand they were always there without delay.*

*They made me feel right at home. By the end of the two years I would have considered my teachers to be friends. The facilities were just amazing and the place felt homely. The Yeats experience was definitely one that I will never regret. It was quite possibly one of the best decisions of my life and I'm so grateful that I had the opportunity to go there. I would recommend Yeats College to anybody"*

**Gerard Browne**



*"I found that the various classes were extremely exam-focused and taught you basic exam techniques which could be easily applied to all subjects and are often overlooked. The experienced teachers pointed out common pitfalls and were easily approachable if you had difficulty understanding a concept. Personally, the structured hours allowed me to plan out what I wanted to study that specific day while the continuous assessments kept me on my toes. Being surrounded by motivated, like-minded people was beneficial as it drove me to work harder and achieve what I wanted to achieve".*

**Eva McCabe**





## THE INSPIRATIONAL TEACHERS THAT HELP YOU TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

The sustained success of Yeats College has much to do with the skill and dedication of the motivated, experienced and highly qualified teaching staff. Over the years our teachers have perfected a comprehensive and lasting formula for success. Our team of teachers are not only passionate about their unique subject areas, they are also wholly committed to the task of maximising examination success and hold an expert knowledge of every aspect of their respective subject's curriculum and marking scheme. Their confidence and expertise enable the students of Yeats College to reach the pinnacle of their potential.

### YEATS COLLEGE STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM:

- Level specific English language classes for International students
- Unlimited subject choices
- Expert teachers
- Hour-long exclusive classes
- Fortnightly assessments
- Study skills training
- Comprehensive career guidance
- Aptitude training
- Continuous parent-college interaction
- Strictly monitored study setting
- Active involved learning in a motivated study environment
- Extra curricular and cultural activities



## YEATS COLLEGE ACADEMIC YEARS

### One Year Programme

Suitable for students aged between 15 and 19 who wish to continue or complete their academic studies while also gaining the benefit of specialised level specific English language training.

### Two Year Programme

Suitable for students aged between 15 and 19 who wish to continue or complete their study while gaining the benefit of specialised level specific English language training over the period of two years. Two year programme students have the added opportunity of more extensive academic studies, extra curricular and cultural activities, international visits.

All students that complete at least one academic year have the opportunity to complete the Department of Education, Ireland, Leaving Certificate Examination for entry to third level.

### Semester Programme

Suitable for students aged between 15 and 19. Students may attend for one or more semesters during the academic year. Semester programme students avail of level specific English language training.

### Pre-Medical Programme

At Yeats College we are proud to be the official Irish representative of the Third Faculty of Medicine, Charles University Prague. This partnership has allowed many of our Alumni to follow their chosen career path and many have gone on to practice medicine in the Republic of Ireland and throughout the World.



*I couldn't have asked for more; the teachers were so helpful to me, whenever there was anything I needed or didn't understand they were always there without delay.*

## WE PRIDE OURSELVES ON...

- Providing a nurturing educational experience that inspires our students to reach confidently into the future
- Getting to know our students and guiding them to succeed
- Delivering an individualised approach to learning
- Offering extra learning support structures when required
- Class sizes ranging from 3 students to 28
- Tutorial groups with a maximum of ten students
- Student study groups with a maximum of six students



## A DAY IN THE LIFE AT YEATS...

At Yeats College you meet students with a similar desire to do their best. Hard work and educational successes are applauded by your peers. Being in an environment where everyone wants to succeed is an excellent atmosphere and the communal study sessions make you feel part of a driven and dedicated community.

It is a place where people respect each other, take care of each other and demand the best from themselves. At Yeats College, a typical day consists of hour long classes and compulsory study hours. Within your detailed, personalised daily timetables you are provided with the opportunity to complete homework assignments during the day, leaving evening study periods free for revision and additional/supplementary study.

Teachers are also free to offer advice, revision strategies and extra personal tuition if necessary. The dedication to student success is always evident. Exceptional performance demands exceptional preparation.

English	Russian*	Art	Spanish
Mathematics	Agricultural Science	Construction	Music
History	Biology	Chinese*	Design & Communication Graphics
French	Physics and Chemistry	Religion	Arabic*
German	Economics	Applied Mathematics	
Physics	Business	Geography	*Subject to demand
Chemistry	Home Economics	Accounting	

## SAMPLE WEEKLY TIMETABLES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

### MONDAY-THURSDAY TIMETABLE

7am	Wake up call & breakfast
8.45am - 12.50pm	4 x hour long classes
12.50 - 1.50pm	Lunch is served in the organic student restaurant
1.50pm - 4.45pm	3 x hour long classes
4.45pm - 5.45pm	Dinner is served in the organic student restaurant. Students can also avail of the College gym facilities/classes during this time
5.45pm - 8.30pm	Supervised Study (excluding Friday) Friday activities for International students
9pm - 10.30pm	Student recreational time

## HOST FAMILY OPTION

Students stay with a school appointed host family. The host family will provide accommodation and meals for students during the academic term. The host families participating in this programme are carefully selected by the college.

Weekend timetable will vary to accommodate Supervised Study, Personal activities, volunteering & structured school trips scheduled throughout the academic year.



Vincent Griffith who achieved an impressive 590 points in his Leaving Certificate.



The organic student restaurant can cater to specific dietary requirements if notified in advance. During recreational periods students are encouraged to use the gym and exercise facilities provided. We also encourage active engagement with charitable societies and foundations through our volunteer programme.

*"The dedication, support and motivation of the staff is remarkable and enables students like myself to achieve their dreams! With the help of you all I am now moving to Brighton to study Pharmacy... my dream! For that I will forever be indebted to you."*



## WHAT ABOUT THE SAT?

At Yeats College we provide a full overview of the application process for undergraduate study in the USA. All aspects of the application procedure are explored in detail; the initial investigative search, the factors important to each individual student in their choice of college, preparation for the SAT, applications for funding, the process of decision making, completing a first class application and finally, advice about making a successful transition to college life in the USA.

The SAT and SAT Subject Tests are tests that are designed to assess a student's academic readiness for college in the USA. It is the most widely used college admissions test in the world. International students can elect to sit the SAT while studying at Yeats College. Our College is equipped to provide a thorough preparation for this assessment, with dedicated SAT tutors available during supervised study periods and regular SAT sample tests throughout the year. We focus on the student's individual needs and at Yeats College our SAT preparation course provides comprehensive training for students who aspire to achieve a high score in the SAT exam. In conjunction with the Leaving Certificate, and our extracurricular and volunteer programmes, third level options in Ireland, Europe and the United States are highly achievable.

## COMMUNICATION AND GUIDANCE AT YEATS

At all times we endeavour to maintain constant contact with parents or guardians and discuss openly any concerns parents may have or any issues that may arise. The administrative staff and College management ensure the channels of communication are kept open. For international students, the main point of contact will be with the International Student Liaison Officer who monitors students' attendance and performance and reports any concerns to the College.

Having a firm, controlled and disciplined work environment is integral to the achievement of student goals. Because the environment of the College is entirely one of mutual respect and encouragement, we are pleased to say that discipline issues very rarely arise. We can ensure that productive learning and revision take place at all times, as any problems that arise are efficiently dealt with.



Bologna, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2013

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Mr. Terry Fahy  
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Dear Mr. Fahy,

Last year, at the end of August, Daniele arrived in Galway to attend the Yeats College for the first quarter of the year as part of an international UE programme.

In your school he found a stimulating environment, professional teachers and friendly classmates, and he quickly decided to accept your proposal to remain there for the rest of the year to take the Leaving Certificate.

He has now graduated from your school, one year before his classmates in Italy, and has enrolled in the International Faculty of Medicine in Rome. He had a great time, a lovely international experience and made a lot of new Irish friends.

For all this, my wife and I wish to thank you, your staff and your students: the way you sustained, prepared and supported Daniele has been really fantastic.

Sincerely,



*My year spent in Yeats College was the best and most educating year of my life. It taught me how to be diligent and consistent student, a skill which I still carry on to this day and has gotten me where I am now in my academic career.*

*The College has had a major impact on my life because the friends I made there are now my best friends and the ones I'll keep for life.*

*The teachers of the school are definitely the biggest contribution to its success. I found them very friendly and extremely helpful. They helped to motivate me and were always there when I needed guidance. Overall, the time I spent in Yeats was incredibly enjoyable and I would definitely recommend it to anyone student."*

*Esraa Hegazy  
Student*

## RESULTS DAY 2013 YEATS COLLEGE

*Clockwise from right: (L-R) Amelia Hogan and SORCHA EGAN (both now studying Medicine); (L-R) Eoin Coughlan (now studying Medicine), Martin Davey (now studying Veterinary Medicine), Piotr Senator (now studying Architecture) and Cian Duffy (now studying Engineering); (below) Finn McLoughlin (now studying Economics and Financial Maths), pictured celebrating their success in the Leaving Certificate.*



*"There is a very friendly atmosphere at Yeats College. You have great access to teachers and they are willing to give extra help, especially with exam papers and handouts. The teachers do push you a bit harder which is great when you get the results you need and you do make good friends because you see them so much and get to know them really well."*

*Diarmuid O'Connor*



School Trip to Obertsdorf, Germany.



School Trip to Paris, France



*"Before enrolling in Yeats, I researched private schools available and their statistics and found that Yeats has a long history of success with their results nothing short of amazing every year. I went into Yeats feeling nervous but I found the students and staff to be very friendly and helpful. The school has a strict policy of not accepting people that are not motivated to succeed and thus removes unwanted distractions.*

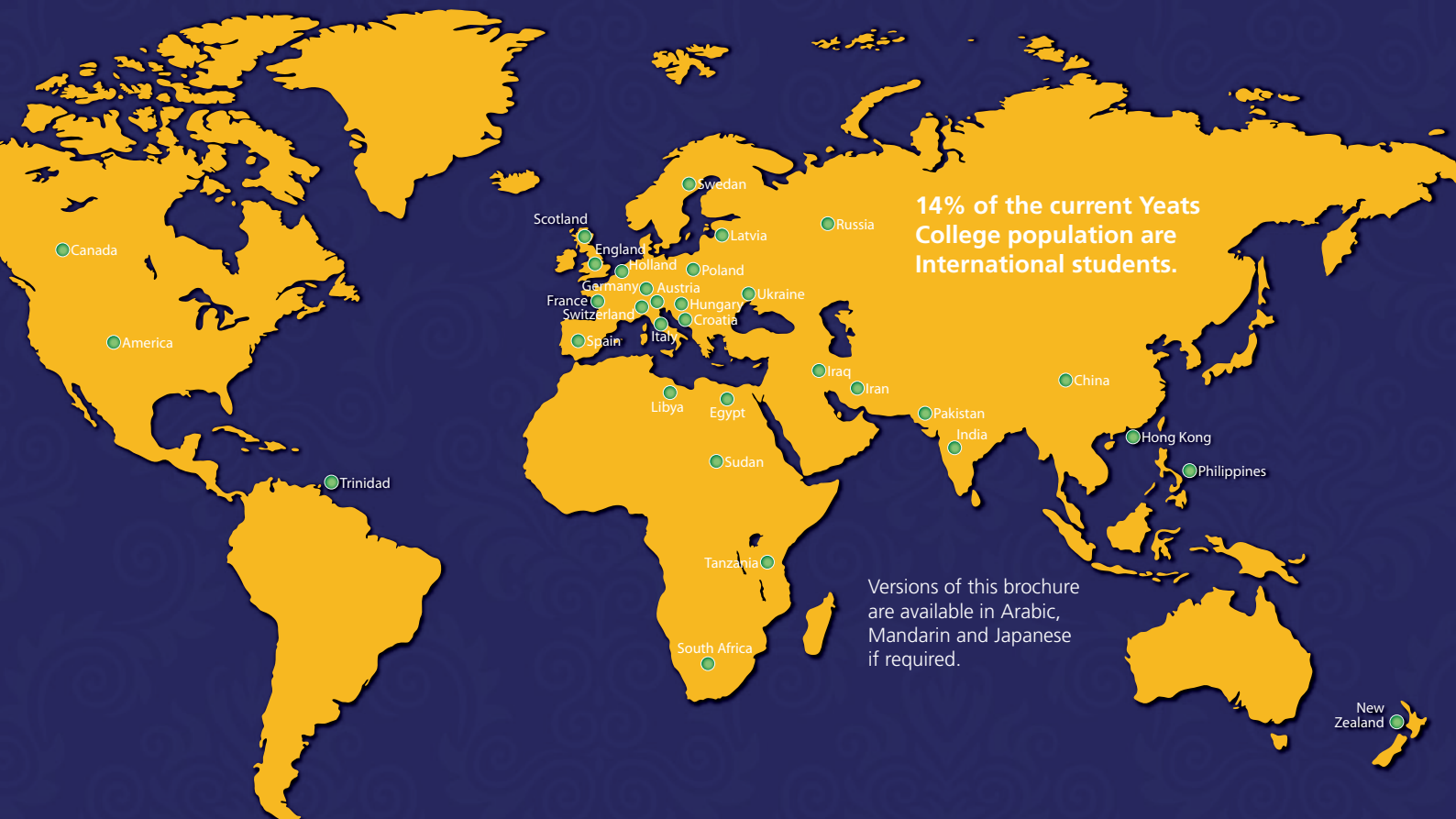
*The key is everyone is there for the same reason which is to succeed."*

*David Alani*

# GOING TO COLLEGE IN IRELAND...

Ireland has become an extremely popular destination for European and International students. This popularity is a reflection of the country's reputation for academic excellence which has been carefully nurtured throughout the years. It also reflects the exciting social offerings of this island nation which is steeped in arts and culture. Students come to Ireland to realise their academic and career aspirations while also becoming immersed in the rich cultural heritage.

With seven Universities, 14 Institutes of Technology and a host of other educational Institutions, the opportunities for International students in Ireland are endless. Irish university degrees are recognised internationally allowing graduates to make full use of their qualifications worldwide.





# SO YOU'VE DECIDED TO STUDY AT YEATS COLLEGE... WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

## How do I apply?

International students aged between 16 and 20 years of age must complete the application form available to download at [www.yeatscollege.ie](http://www.yeatscollege.ie). This form must also be accompanied by results transcripts, the course fee and any other supporting documentation as outlined in the application form. A letter of offer will be forwarded to successful students and arrangements for accommodation and transfers will be agreed in the weeks prior to the students' arrival. A full refund will be made available to students who are unsuccessful in their visa application.

## How do I get a Visa?

International students who require a visa to study in Ireland will need to provide the following with their visa application:

- Letter of acceptance from Yeats College confirming that you have been accepted on a course of study with a minimum of 15 hours per week study time.
- Evidence that the fees for the course have been paid in full.
- Evidence that you have enough funds (€7,000) to maintain yourself for the initial part of your stay
- Evidence that you or a sponsor have access to at least €7,000 for each subsequent year of your studies, in addition to the course fees for each of those years.
- Evidence that you have private medical insurance
- An explanation of any gaps in your educational history
- Confirmation that you intend to return to your country of permanent residence when you leave Ireland.

Students from a non-EEA country who intend studying in Ireland for a period of more than three months must register, after they arrive, with the local immigration officer for the district in which they are living. Links to more detailed information on the exact requirements for a student visa are available at [www.yeatscollege.ie](http://www.yeatscollege.ie). The Yeats College International Student Liaison Officer is available to assist students with their visa application process and with registration on arrival.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## WILL I BE COLLECTED FROM THE AIRPORT ON ARRIVAL?

International students are greeted on arrival by an approved airport transfer company. This service will be co-ordinated in advance by our International Student Liaison officer. Students will be advised of suitable travel dates and airlines on completion of the application process

## WHO WILL BE THERE WHEN I GET TO YEATS COLLEGE?

Your International Student Liaison officer and fellow students will greet you on your arrival at Yeats College. Every effort will be made to make you feel welcome and alleviate any homesickness that you may be experiencing. The first few days can be quite emotional as for many of you this will be your first time away from home. Our Student Liaison Officer will be available to alleviate any fears and our counselling service is also available should you wish to speak to someone in confidence.

## WHAT IF I GET HOMESICK?

The counselling service will be available to you throughout your time at Yeats College. Please feel free to contact them whenever you need to talk. As you become accustomed to your new surroundings, and your new set of friends, you too will find yourself providing support to other students arriving from many destinations throughout the world.

With the advances in modern technology it is now extremely affordable to make contact with your family. The college is equipped with free internet access to accommodate Skype calls and email contact. We will also provide you with a SIM card for your mobile phone that can be used while you are in Ireland. This number can be provided to your family in advance of your arrival in Ireland.

## WHAT DO WE DO FOR THE FIRST WEEK?

For the first week in Ireland you will participate in a week long orientation programme. This programme will help you to become acquainted with the school, the city, fellow students and the Irish culture.

The orientation programme is co-ordinated by the International Student Liaison Officer who will be the term-time point of contact for you and your parents. This immersion course into the cultural activities of the host country involves an introduction to the historical, geographical, musical and sporting traditions. It also provides practical advice on banking, budgeting, transport, health and safety.

## WHEN CAN I GO HOME?

International students can return home during the school holidays which are as follows:

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

#### **1st Term (September - December 2014)**

August 25th - August 28th:	International Students Welcome Week
September 1st:	Teaching commences for all students
December 19th:	Christmas holidays

#### **2nd Term (January - Easter 2015)**

January 6th:	Teaching resumes for all students
March 17th:	St Patrick's Day
April	Easter Holidays (2 weeks)

#### **3rd Term (Easter - June 2015)**

May 29th:	Teaching finishes
June 3rd:	Leaving Certificate Examinations commence
June 19th:	Leaving Certificate Examinations end



## WHAT IF I CAN'T GO HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS?

Please inform your Student Liaison Officer as soon as possible if you do not intend to travel home during the school holidays. Alternative supervisory arrangements will be made with local host families.

## CAN MY PARENTS COME AND VISIT?

Yes, we encourage your family to come and visit. Our International Student Liaison officer will provide advice to your family on travel and accommodation in the region. This will provide an excellent opportunity for you to see more of the country if your family visit during the school holidays.

## WILL THE COLLEGE SUPPORT MY SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT?

Yeats College provides support for students' spiritual development regardless of any particular religious tradition.

## WHO ATTENDS YEATS COLLEGE?

At Yeats College all of our students share one common ambition and that is to achieve their educational goals. While we are a private fee-paying college our students come from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds. Yeats College students and parents recognise the value associated with our unique educational ethos.



## YEATS COLLEGE

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