



# Stratford College

Co-educational Secondary School

## Dear Parents, Guardians, Students and Staff,

As we come to the close of another school year, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our entire school community. To our students, thank you for your hard work, resilience and spirit. To our parents and guardians, we greatly appreciate your ongoing support and partnership. And to our dedicated staff, thank you for your commitment, care and professionalism throughout the year.

I wish you all a peaceful and restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed for the new academic year!

*Mr Barrett*

*Principal*

**28 May, 2026**

## Wellbeing support for Exam Students, Parents and School Staff

In the run up to the state exams, Stratford's Wellbeing Team draws your attention to the suite of resources on [gov.ie](http://gov.ie) under the heading of Wellbeing support for Exam Students, Parents and School Staff.



**21 May, 2026**

## TY Graduation and Rite Journey Homecoming Ceremonies

On Tuesday evening, 19th May the TYs celebrated their TY Graduation and Rite Journey Homecoming ceremonies with their families, friends and teachers. TYs were presented with a folder of all the Certificates that they achieved over the year.

18 May, 2026

## End of Year Assembly 2025-2026

Congratulations to our prize winners at our end of year assembly. Awards included Form awards, attendance, Student of the Year and the Principal's Junior and Senior student awards for this academic year.



15 May, 2026

## 6th Year Graduation Celebrations

The Class of 2026 graduated on Friday 15th May in a wonderfully warm and heartfelt graduation ceremony shared with family, friends and Stratford staff. There were wonderful speeches from Mr Barrett, Rabbi

Wieder, Ms Finnegan (Year Head) and Student Council prefects.

12 May, 2026

## Stratford's Wellbeing Week 2026 - School Walk, Culture Day, Sports Day, Hell and Back - something for everyone!

Stratford celebrated Wellbeing Week 2026 (5th - 8th May), a special week dedicated to promoting positive mental health, physical activity and cultural awareness. Students had the opportunity to take part in a variety of fun and engaging activities throughout the week, including walks, workshops, cultural events, sports, and wellbeing challenges.



1 May, 2026



## Dr Mary McAleese visits Stratford College

On Tuesday 28th of April, Stratford College was honoured to welcome former President of Ireland, Dr. Mary McAleese, for a memorable and inspiring visit. Students, staff and guests were excited to hear from one of Ireland's most respected figures as she shared insights into her personal life, career, and political experiences.

**30 April, 2026**

## Stratford Junior Debate Team wins against The High School

On the 29th of April, Stratford College welcomed The High School for a debate between the junior teams on the motion 'Artificial Intelligence is a force for Global Good'. The Junior team, captained by Cian, argued the proposition, with teammates Jack, Robert and Anastasiia focusing on the fact that AI is neither good nor bad in and of itself; it is a tool, and it is up to use how we use it.



**29 April, 2026**

## TY Rite Journey - Overnight camping in Larch Hill

On the 27th of April the TY's went camping in Larch Hill as a part of the Rite Journey, it was called the abyss, we slept in single tents far away from each other, before going to sleep we had a sing along around a campfire and one of the students brought a guitar!

**23 April, 2026**

## Stratford Student Council meet with The High School's Student Council

On a bi-annual basis, Stratford College and The High School's Student Councils meet. These occasions offer neighbouring schools and their young leaders the opportunity to meet together to discuss how their individual councils have developed, the successes they have enjoyed,



the initiatives and fundraising they have been involved in. This has proven useful to individual School Councils as a way of learning from the experiences of others.