



## OATLANDS COLLEGE – Parents Council

January 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians

The Oatlands College Parents Council wish you and your families a very Happy & Healthy New Year.

We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate our thanks for all your support over the last term. We have received some great feedback about our Parents Council AGM guest speaker Dr. Harry Barry and would like to remind parents that he has posted some videos and content of his talks on Anxiety and The Screenager on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com).

We are delighted to announce that we have actually raised in excess of €11,500 from our Christmas Fair for the School Development Fund. Once again this would not have been possible without your huge support - donations, contributions, volunteers of help in preparation and on the day of the Fair itself. In addition we have made donations to a number of charities including The Women's Refuge Centre, Vincent DePaul, Barnardos, The Hope Foundation and The Simon Community. We also have a head start on some clothing and accessories for our next Bag2School collection, which will take place in May'17. I'm sure you will agree that this has been a fantastic result from the whole school community.

We have a busy term ahead with some of our favourite annual events – including our support of this years School Musical, in conjunction with Sion Hill - **South Pacific** (6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March). Directly after we will host our third year of “**Battle of the Bands**” (10<sup>th</sup> March) – at this stage a much anticipated event amongst the secondary schools in the wider local community. You will be hearing more information about these events from us over the coming weeks.

We are delighted to share with you that Oatlands College has received a very generous donation of a number of tickets to some very high profile events, indoor and outdoor concerts taking place over the coming year. The benefactor has requested that these prizes are used to generate funds for the School Development Fund and so with this in mind we are very pleased to announce that we will be hosting a series of exclusive **Limited Raffle Draws**. These draws will take place in January, May and September of this year and will be limited to the Parents, Students and Staff of Oatlands College only. Each Raffle will be restricted to a maximum number of entries. Please see overleaf for details of this months' Exclusive Raffle.

We look forward to meeting you over the coming months at some of the various school events and information evenings. Meanwhile should you have any questions or queries please feel free to contact us via the school or indeed directly on [oatlandspc@gmail.com](mailto: oatlandspc@gmail.com).

In thanks and appreciation for all your support.  
Yours sincerely,

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The Oatlands College Parents Council

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