

The Yellow Flag Programme

Mercy College is a welcoming, all-inclusive environment. During the academic year 2014/2015 we introduced the Yellow Flag Programme to promote inclusion and diversity within the school. Our focus for 2015/2016 is to further our efforts in achieving Mercy College's first Yellow Flag.

This programme includes all members of the Mercy College school community and seeks to further develop the relationship between student, staff, parents and the wider school community. Through our involvement in the Yellow Flag Programme we aim to celebrate our diverse school community acknowledging students of various ethnicities, cultures and backgrounds, different religious beliefs and customs, sexual orientation and those students with special needs.

About the Yellow Flag

The Yellow Flag Programme provides Mercy College with the opportunity to bring issues of inter-culturalism, equality and diversity into the whole-school programme. Through a series of eight steps it works with students, staff, management, parents and wider community groups so that issues of diversity and equality are not merely seen as "school subjects" but can be understood and taken outside the school setting into everyone's personal lives.

The Yellow Flag programme is an award scheme. On completing the eight steps and being assessed externally, the school is awarded its "Yellow Flag" in recognition of its work in promoting diversity and inclusion.

Taking Part

Throughout the year we will be calling on students, staff, parents and the wider school community to get involved with the Yellow Flag process and assist us in acknowledging and celebrating the diverse population of our school community.

More information on the Yellow Flag Programme can be found at <http://www.yellowflag.ie/home>

