



To Parents of Form III to Form VI

Poetry Competition 2017

Dear Parents,

As in previous years, we are marking National Poetry Day on Friday, 6th October. We are holding our own poetry competition for the girls in Forms III and above.

Each girl is asked to select a poem that she particularly enjoys and bring it into school on Monday 2nd October. We will be having class heats in which each girl will perform her chosen poem to her class who will then vote for the best read poem and the poem they most enjoyed. This year, we are hoping that as many of the girls will memorise their poem, particularly as this is now a requirement of the revised National Curriculum.

The winners in each Form will go forward to the Grand Final in assembly on 6th October when three judges will have the difficult task of choosing the overall winners in those two categories.

We would be grateful for your assistance in helping your daughter if necessary to select an appropriate poem – either humorous or otherwise – and to read through the text to assist with any difficult words or phrasing. This year's theme is 'Freedom', although any selected poetry will be considered. Some interesting ideas can be found at <https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk/poems/freedom-poems/>

We look forward to an enjoyable week of poetry!

With best wishes

Mr Sayers