

Seven Hills West Public School

Respectful, Safe, Responsible Learners

The Blacktown Learning Community Public Speaking Competition

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

In Term 4 students in Years 3-6 will need to prepare a speech to read to their class as a part of the Blacktown Learning Community Public Speaking Competition. This city wide competition gives students the opportunity to practice their public speaking skills and improve their confidence.

Two students from each class will be chosen to participate in an internal school final. From this, one student from each year will be chosen to represent our school in the Blacktown Learning Community Public Speaking Local Final. Speeches are due on **Monday 22nd October** to the classroom teacher. Parents are welcome to attend the school final on **Wednesday 31st October** in the New Hall.

Parents are more than welcome to assist students with writing their speeches however, it is important that students practise the speech themselves and are able to read it on their own. The speech should be written on palm cards that can fit inside the student's hand. Students are encouraged to incorporate their own personal experiences in their chosen topic.

Students in **Year 3 and 4** will need to speak for **2 minutes**. Students in **Years 5 and 6** will need to speak for **3 minutes** on any one of the following topics:

Year 3 and 4 Topics

- 1. Do animals really think or do we only think they do.......
- 2. A day in the life of......
- 3. What makes a good friend.....
- 4. The foods I like to eat least and why
- 5. The oddest sports......
- 6. How to successfully fool your teacher....
- 7. Why must I clean my room everyday?
- 8. If I was a parent, the ground rules I would insist on are.......
- 9. The best invention
- 10. My 3 wishes.....
- 11. My hobbies
- 12. Winning is not as important as trying your best
- 13. Everything I Needed to Know in Life, I learned in Kindergarten.

Year 5 and 6 Topics

- 1. I am most happy when.....
- The 10 best excuses for not doing your homework
- 3. Less is more......
- 4. Money is all I need !!!!!!!
- 5. Never give up......
- 6. How to look intelligent.....
- 7. If I were shipwrecked on a desert Island I hope it would be with.......
- 8. Social networking friend or foe???
- 9. Space aliens exist.......
- 10. If I was a famous screen star I would...
- 11. My business idea for saving the world
- 12. How to tell if your pet needs counselling.....
- 13. My most embarrassing experience....

ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO DO A SPEECH AS THIS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR REPORTS.

If you have any questions, please feel free to come and see your child's classroom teacher as early as possible to allow students time to finish the speech by the due date.

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