



Seven Hills West Public School

Respectful, Safe, Responsible Learners

Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition 2021

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

In Term 2, students in Years 3-6 will need to prepare a speech to read to their class as part of the Arts Unit Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition 2021. This competition gives students the opportunity to practice their public speaking skills and improve their confidence in public speaking. Students will be working in class on their speeches and will have opportunities to refine them at home.

Two students from each class will be chosen to participate in an internal School Final to be held in Term 2 Week 4. From this, two students from each stage will be chosen to represent our school in the Arts Unit Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking local final. Speeches are due on Friday 30th April (Week 2, Term 2) to the classroom teacher.

At the School Finals, contestants will be asked to present both a prepared speech and an impromptu speech. For their prepared speech, contestants must choose a topic from the list below. The prepared speech must convey a multicultural message. The impromptu speech is chosen by the adjudicator on the day, and will be on a general, non-multicultural theme. Contestants will have 5 minutes to write their impromptu speeches. The speaking times for each speech and division are outlined below. Note that speakers are expected to finish at or just beyond the official speaking time, and it will be considered poor timing to reach the continuous bell.

Division / speech	Warning bell	Speaking time	Continuous bell
Years 3&4 prepared	2 minutes	3 minutes	4 minutes
Years 3&4 impromptu	30 seconds	1 minute	1 ½ minutes
Years 5&6 prepared	3 minutes	4 minutes	5 minutes
Years 5&6 impromptu	1 ½ minutes	2 minutes	2 ½ minutes

2021 Years 3&4 Topics	2021 Years 5&6 Topics
Stronger together We are one and free Racism - no way! The Olympics - bringing people together Australia on TV Language matters Sharing Kids lead the way! Reconciliation Where do I belong?	Stronger together Racism: it's everyone's business January 26 Sport - making a difference Media Matters Australia - where to next? It's complicated A safe place to call home Healing Global voices

Please note contestants are not allowed to use any props or external aids such as PowerPoint presentations during their speeches. They are encouraged to speak from palm cards and must present without the use of a lectern or microphone. Finally, a reminder that the prepared speech must have multicultural content.

ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO PRESENT A SPEECH AS THIS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR REPORTS. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's classroom teacher.

Ms Clements
Principal
29.03.21

Ms Curran
Assistant Principal

Miss Pham & Mrs Rosario
Public Speaking Coordinators

