



Seven Hills West Public School

Respectful, Safe, Responsible Learners

The Blacktown Learning Community Public Speaking Competition

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

In Term 3 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 by **Monday 15th August** to the classroom teacher. Parents are welcome to attend the school final on **Friday 19th August** in the Hall.

Parents are more than welcome to assist students with writing their speeches however, it is important that students practise the speech themselves and can 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.

For this competition, students will present a two- or three-minute speech from one of the topics below.

Year 3 and 4 (2 minutes)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• My favourite time of the year• The contents of your lunch box• Think to the future, what will it be like• Everyone should grow their own food	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How I care for the environment• If I were a book character, I would be• My Hero• Winning and losing• Say 'NO' to plastic packaging
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Year 5 and 6 (3 minutes)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The importance of water• What will the future be like?• The importance of teachers• Should after school activities be compulsory?• How to be a leader	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Possibility of life on Mars• Is Climate Change real?• A much-needed invention• Balancing fitness and technology• Siblings stay with you, more than friends do
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ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO PRESENT A SPEECH TO THEIR CLASS AS PART OF THE ENGLISH CURRICULUM AND SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS AND REPORTING.

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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