



THE ROTARY CLUB OF TRURO BOSCAWEN

Club No.1695

District 1175

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Summary of the 2024 / 25 ROTARY YOUNG WRITER COMPETITION

The competition theme this year is 'WONDERFUL WATER' - one that we feel offers great imaginative scope and the possibility of a variety of interpretations.

The three age groups of the competition: (Ages on 31 August 2024)

- **Junior:** up to and including 10 years old.
- **Intermediate:** 11 to 13 years old.
- **Senior:** 14 to 17 years old.

Pieces can be fictional or factual, prose (max. **550** words) or poetry (max. **40** lines)

Judging:

- In this first round competition each piece will be read and marked by at least two experienced judges. Shortlisted pieces will then be marked by 4 different judges to give the final results.
- Judges will be looking for imagination and creativity in the writing and its relevance to the theme, as well as the ability to engage interest, consistency in argument, and the neatness of presentation.

To Enter:

- We ask that entries be sent in the form of individual text files or pdfs. Handwritten pieces will therefore need to be scanned before submission.
- The entry form (pdf attached here) should be completed by a parent or guardian. You should then return it with the piece. There is a file size limit of 15mb.
- The deadline for entries is **Friday, 31 January.**

The Three Stages of the Competition:

- This is the competition for Truro Area schools and colleges. Judging will be completed by the end of February, with the results being announced shortly after. For each age group there will be a winner, runners-up and highly commended awards.
- The 3 winning pieces will then be entered into the **District Competition** - against all the other Area winners in Cornwall and Devon. Judging for this will be completed by the end of March and those results will be announced shortly after.
- The 3 District winning pieces will then be entered into the National Final of the Competition, and after judging the results will be announced.

Prizes

- All Area entrants receive a certificate of participation. Winners and runners up at Area and District level also receive a prize - usually of book tokens. The national winner receives a trophy.

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