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PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION 2023 - EARLY STAGE 1 & STAGE 1

Wyong Public School is running the annual Public Speaking Competition in Term 3. Students must be ready to present their speech during Week 3 of Term 3. Teachers will allocate a day for each child to present their speech in class. Class teachers will select the top speech from their class, and they will compete in a school final, and parents will be notified by the end of that week. The finals will have 6 finalists from Kindergarten and 10 finalists from Stage 1. Two winners will be chosen from Early Stage 1 and Stage 1, who will then go on to represent our school in District Finals in Week 8 of Term 3. Students must write, prepare and practice their individual speech on one of the topics below.

The topics will be a choice of one of the following:

Kindergarten

- My Hero
- My best day ever

Year 1 and Year 2

- If I had three wishes
- The best place in the world

WHEN:

Monday, 31st July 2023 - Thursday, 3rd August 2023

WHERE:

In own classrooms

WHO:

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2

Special Instructions:

Time limits:

Kindergarten – 1-2 minutes long. Aiming for 1 minute. A warning bell will ring at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ minutes. A continuous bell will sound once the limit has exceeded.

Year 1 and Year 2 - The speech is to be 2 minutes long. A warning bell will be rung at 1 ½ minutes. A continuous bell will sound once the limit has exceeded.

As this is part of our Speaking and Listening programs, it is compulsory for all students to participate. Your speech should include the use of palm cards or visual cues to prompt and direct the speaker.

The teachers and adjudicators will be observing the following during the speeches:

- Is the speaker well prepared
- Has the speech been rehearsed and modified
- Is the speech well structured
- Does the speaker appear confident
- Does the speaker make eye contact with the audience
- Does the speaker speak clearly and with appropriate voice control
- Does the speaker use gestures and facial expressions
- Does the speaker speak fluently and pace the presentation appropriately
- Are ideas presented in a logical order
- Does the speaker use any strategies to keep the attention of or influence the audience
- Does the speaker make effective use of palm cards during the speech
- Does the speaker fidget during the speech

Good luck in the competition

Thank you

Ms T Bulmer Public Speaking coordinator Mr T Miladinovic Principal