

6th February 2025

Dear Parents,

Centenary Poetry Competition

We are excited to announce our forthcoming Centenary Poetry Competition, an opportunity for all our students to celebrate this momentous occasion in the history of Forest Preparatory School.

Our launch date will be **Monday 10th February**. The competition invites children to create and write their own self-penned poems, reflecting on what makes Forest such a special place, and the significance of our 100th year. Poems can also focus on general school life. The competition will be open to all year groups, and we encourage families to sit down together and enjoy the creative process as they craft a poem to mark this historic milestone.

Following the February half term, the children will have the chance to perform their poems in class, after which two finalists from each year group will be selected to move forward to the Grand Final.

The Grand Final will take place in the school hall on **Thursday 20th March at 9:00 am**, where the class finalists will present their poems in front of an audience of parents and grandparents. We are delighted to have two esteemed judges join us for this special event, making it an even more exciting and memorable occasion.

This competition is not only a wonderful way to celebrate the school's centenary, but also an opportunity for families to work together, share ideas, and create something truly special through words. We look forward to seeing the final pieces after half term, and we hope all our pupils will enjoy participating in this creative celebration.

Please find the guidelines for the competition attached, which have been created by the teachers to help guide the children through the process.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Graeme Booth
Headmaster