HYF Writing Competition

Guidelines



Friendship

The HYF Writing competition is for young people who love words. We'd like you to write about the HYF theme in any style you like; a short story, a poem, a play, a blog, song lyrics or a script.

This year's theme is Friendship

We are celebrating 'Friendship' as our theme for 2022. You can write a thrilling story, a short play, a poem, or a blog! Explore your own or a character's experience of friendship and what it means to them or you. It is a gift that can be given and taken in many ways, for many reasons, and from the most unexpected people. There is no limit to where your imagination (and friendship) will take you.

All entries should be a maximum of 500 words except a short story, which can be 750.

The competition will be adjudicated by professional writers, in 3 age groups:

Group 1: School years 1 – 3 Group 2: School years 4 – 5 Group 3: School years 6 - 13

Prize giving will be on Saturday 12th March (location tba) – winners will be invited to attend.

Who can enter

Anyone is eligible to enter if you attend / live in the catchment area for one of the following participating schools: Badgemore; Bishopswood; Gillotts; Kidmore End; Nettlebed; Peppard; Sacred Heart; Shiplake; Sonning Common; Trinity; Valley Road; OR attend Henley College; Shiplake College; Chiltern Edge; Rupert House; St Mary's.

How to enter:

You can either complete the online entry form and attach your written piece and send it by e-mail to sarah@skiersedge.co.uk or you can fill in the form on page 2 and post it with your written piece to the address below. Please make sure you include your **name**, **age**, **school / college name**, **school year**, **address**, **contact e-mail address** and **telephone number** (this is so that we can inform you quickly if you are a winner).

Please also write your name on your composition and attach to the form. Send to:

Sarah Bell Kenton House 21 New Street Henley on Thames RG9 2BP

Closing date for all entries 28 February 2022

Other creative opportunities

If you're bursting with imagination why not enter our Art and Film competitions as well? If you want to try your hand at music composition or a piece of performance art, please see separate competition guidelines and the Performing Arts entry forms at www.hyf.org.uk.

What does "Friendship" mean to you?

If you have any queries please contact:

Sarah on E: sarah@skiersedge.co.uk or T: 01491 573908

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Entry Form



How to enter:

There are two ways to send in your entry:

- 1. You can complete the Form on this pdf by tabbing through the form fields and attaching your composition as a Word document to an email addressed to sarah@skiersedge.co.uk or
- 2. You can print out the form, complete it and send with a copy of your composition to:

Sarah Bell, Kenton House, 21 New Street, Henley on Thames, RG9 2BP

VERY IMPORTANT- YOUR COMPOSITION MUST ALSO HAVE YOUR NAME ON THE PAGE – both for printed and digital copies.

Your name	
Age & date of birth	
Email address (either yourself or your parent / guardian)	
Telephone	
School / College attended	
School Year	
Title of written piece of work (if you have one)	

Please note: The personal data supplied in this application form will only be used for the purposes of administering the HYF event you have applied for, after which, this application form and any records of personal data will be deleted.

Please keep my name and email address so that HYF can send me information about HYF events including announcements and fundraising activities. Please tick to agree.

If at any point you change your mind and want to withdraw your consent, please let us know by emailing hyfinfo@gmail.com and we'll update your details. You also have rights to access your personal data, to have it corrected or deleted, to object to processing and to lodge a complaint with the ICO.

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