



## Musgrave Hill's Speech Competition

This term I am excited to announce that we are having our second annual Speech Competition. This is an **optional** extra-curricular opportunity for our students. All students in P-6 are invited to participate in **one** of the following three categories:

1. Soapbox – 1 min
2. Poetry – 2 min
3. Speech– 2-3 min

As this is an extra-curricular opportunity, students are to prepare and rehearse everything at home. Parents/guardians can help with these preparations.

At this stage, I will group entrants into two age groups P-2 and 3-6. If there is a lot of interest there will be heats and then a final competition. Please read the category information below to help you decide which category your child would like to enter.

Category information:

1. Soapbox – Do you have a strong opinion about something? Well...get on your soapbox and share it with us! You have one minute to express exactly how you feel about any particular subject of your choosing. With only one minute, you will need to be concise yet emotive. We expect to see lots of expression, hand gestures and loads of persuasive language. Stand up on our Musgrave Soapbox and let your thoughts be heard.
2. Poetry – learn a poem and share it with the audience. Will you choose a traditional poem from an Aussie Icon like Banjo Patterson or something more contemporary? You could even write your own! Poetry can be very emotive and/or entertaining. How can you wow the judges and present it in an engaging and entertaining way? Hand gestures, actions, facial expression and clever use of your voice will do the trick!
3. Speech – this 2-3 minute speech can be about any topic you like. You can choose to persuade, inform, entertain, motivate, inspire or amuse. It is completely up to you. You can dress up or bring in props to support your speech if you like.

**Important Dates:**

Week 4-6 Students prepare the speech in their chosen category

Week 7 & 8 Heats (IF REQUIRED – TBA) During Morning Tea – student audience will be invited in to view

Week 9 Finals – Whole School Audience with Judging Panel (invitation to parents/caregivers)

If you would like your child to enter the competition please send me an email [clwed5@eq.edu.au](mailto:clwed5@eq.edu.au) to tell me the full name of the student, class and which category they will be entering.

Looking forward to another exciting event at Musgrave!

Kind regards,

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