



Stage 2 Public Speaking Competition

Dear Parents/Carers,

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) students are learning the skills of public speaking as part of the speaking and listening outcomes of English. This public speaking assessment involves students writing a speech with the aim of entertaining the audience on a chosen topic. Four students from each class will be selected to participate in the Stage 2 Public Speaking Finals to be held at school later this term.

Speeches should go for approximately 2-3 minutes. The choice of topic can be of the student's own choice or they can be inspired by the topics listed below.



PUBLIC SPEAKING INVOLVES:

- Making **eye** contact; using **facial expressions**.
- Projecting your **voice** and speaking clearly; trying to stay calm & not rush.
- Using **humour** to get the audience reacting, but taking care not to overdo it
- **Staying within the time limit**

*Choose an imaginative topic/story starter from the list which will form the start of your speech or choose your own!

All students will receive feedback from their class teacher after their weekly speaking homework and should be working towards improving their identified focus areas of public speaking.

Purpose: To ENTERTAIN the audience

- Speech duration: 2 – 3 minutes.
- Speech structure: The speech should be structured with a clear introduction, middle and conclusion.
- **Due Date:** Week 7, Term 2 (Monday 5th June).

In week 7, students will deliver their speech to their class. Three students from each class will qualify to deliver their speech at Stage Level in the school on Friday 23rd June 2023, where two students will then qualify to represent the school at the Hunter Inter-School's Primary Public Speaking Competition 2023 in Term 3.

Examples of Imaginative Speech Topics/Story Starters:

1. If I were a superhero.
2. What an invention! It was the most amazing thing I'd ever seen!
3. Vegetables have feelings too.
4. You'll never guess who I interviewed last night. It was a moment I'll never forget.
5. We have a pet dragon. It isn't working out very well.

Thank you for supporting your child to prepare for these upcoming speeches. Students should try to rehearse in front of family or friends before presenting. Should you require any further clarification, please speak with your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards,

Stage 2 Teachers

Miss Parisi, Miss O'Brien, Mr Dawes, Miss Bull, Mr Stirling, Mrs Oliver

Principal

Deborah Kelly