

September 18, 2026

Dear RNPS Families,

In October this year we will hold our inaugural RNPS Public Speaking Competition.

All students in Years 3 to 6 are welcome to take part, should they choose to. Participation in this event is not compulsory for students, but certainly encouraged. Students entering the competition will present a speech to their own year level about their topic (see below) in Round 1. Up to five students from each year level will then be selected to showcase their speech at the grand final.

The two best speeches in Year 5 will also be invited to participate as the school representatives at the Maroondah Rotary Public Speaking Competition on Thursday October 29th (7pm).

The topics and time limits for each year level are:

- Year 3 - 'If I could talk to animals...' (1 minute 30 seconds)
- Year 4 - 'If I could travel anywhere' (2 minutes)
- Year 5 - 'The best invention ever' (2 minutes 30 seconds)
- Year 6 - 'If I could change the world' (2 minutes 30 seconds)

Classroom teachers will remind students about the topics and expectations of the competition when school returns, but your child is encouraged to start thinking about a speech and preparing it over the holidays. If your child would like to be a contender, they will need to prepare and rehearse their speech at home.

The 1st round of speeches will happen on Monday October 12 and the finals will be held in the auditorium on Friday October 16 at 12.20pm. Parents will be notified if your child has been successful in progressing to the finals, so you can attend, if able.

We are excited to see our students challenge themselves in another field and to see what wonderful ideas they can communicate to their peers.

Warm regards



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