

BANGOR SPEECH FESTIVAL 2018

12th to 15th March 2018

Hamilton Road Community Hub, Hamilton Road, Bangor

SYLLABUS

Closing date for entries 30th November 2017

Competitor's age on 1st March 2018 determines class of entry

Poems are taken from one of the following books:

Reference **A** - **The Oxford Book of Children's Poetry** chosen by Michael Harrison and Christopher Stuart-Clark

ISBN 978-0-19-276276-4

Reference **B** - **Read Me: A Poem for Every Day of the Year** chosen by Gaby Young

ISBN 978-1-4472-8739-1

Reference **C** - **I Like This Poem** edited by Kaye Webb

ISBN 978-0-140-31295-9

IMPORTANT Some of these poems may appear in other books or online. Words and punctuation can vary in different editions. In order to avoid mistakes in performance it is therefore very important that the above books are used.

A set of the books will be available for reference at the Help Desk in Bangor Library.

Class 9 Repertoire over 16 years

The Ethel Chartres Cup (presented by Miss Ethel Chartres)

Own choice of one of the following:

An Ordinary Day – Norman McCaig A p.278

Ozymandias – Percy Bysshe Shelley A p.137

Grannie – Vernon Scannell B p.89

Together with a scene from one of the following

All My Sons – Arthur Miller

The Diary of Anne Frank – Frances Goodrich & Albert Hackett

The Kite Runner – Matthew Spangler & Khaled Hosseini

Entry fee £6

Class 10 Monologue 15 years and over

The James Young Perpetual Challenge (presented by Mr John Knipe)

Own choice of a poem by an Ulster Writer

Entry fee £6

Class 11 Irish Poem 15 years and over

The James Simmons Cup (presented by Kenneth & Patricia Irvine)

Own choice of a poem by an Irish writer (the poem to have been written subsequent to the death of Yeats)

Entry fee £6

The winners of classes 1-11 are eligible to compete for the Baxter Cup on the final night, Thursday 15th March.

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Class 15 Verse Speaking 14 and 15 years

The Drummond Memorial Cup (presented by Miss Mollie Drummond)

Holidays at Home – Elizabeth Jennings A p.114

Entry fee £5

Class 16 Sonnet Speaking 14 and 15 years

The Emery Cup (presented by the Emery Family)

Own Choice

Entry fee £5

Class 17 Traditional Ballad Speaking 14 and 15 years

(i.e. a ballad from the anonymous oral tradition)

The Lunn Cup (2)

Own Choice

Entry fee £5

Class 18 Intermediate recital 14 and 15 years

The Irvine Cup (presented by Mrs Irene Irvine)

A 10 minute programme to be prepared from the work of any one poet. The programme should be accompanied by an essay relating to it and to the chosen poet. Recitals should be in a light folder and require only simple presentation with, if wished, a minimum of illustration.

They must be submitted to the Festival by Monday 5th March 2018. Extra copies of the selection should be brought at the time of the Competition. If wished, the recitals may be completed on computer.

Competitors will memorise one long or two short poems from the selection.

Entry fee £5

Class 19 Theme 14 and 15 years

The White Cup (presented by Miss Jacqueline White)

A programme of prose, poetry and drama on a Theme of the competitor's own choice. All or part of the programme may be read. Time approximately 9 minutes.

Entry fee £5

Class 20 Scripture Reading 14 and 15 years

The Pringle Cup (presented by Mrs Betty Pringle)

The Revelation of St. John Chapter 7 Verses 9 – 17 (inclusive). The Authorised Version should be used.

Entry fee £5

Class 21 Prepared Prose Reading 14 and 15 years

The Abernethy Cup (presented by Soroptimist International of Bangor)

Own Choice (approx 2 minutes)

- Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte
- Never Let me Go – Kazuo Ishiguro
- Going Solo – Roald Dahl

Entry fee £5

Class 22 Shakespeare 14 and 15 years

The Cumberland Cup

Solo scene of own choice - approximately 2 minutes

Entry fee £5

The winners of classes 15-22 are eligible to compete for the Pinkerton Shield on the final night, Thursday 15th March.

Competitors over 15 years are eligible to compete in the Senior Classes 10 and 11

PREPARATORY SECTION

- Class 31 Verse Speaking Girls 10 years**
Cat – Alan Brownjohn B p.137
Entry fee £4
- Class 32 Verse Speaking Boys 10 years**
The Old Haunted House – Judith Viorst A p.169
Entry fee £4
- Class 33 Memorised Scripture Girls and Boys 10 years and under**
The Rachael Scott Cup (presented by Mrs Margaret Browne)
Psalm 95 Verses 1 – 7 (inclusive). The Authorised Version should be used.
Entry fee £4
- Class 34 Prepared Prose reading Girls and Boys 10 years and under**
The Coard Trophy (presented by Dr Carol Dunbar)
Choice from the following. Time limit 2 minutes.
- Awful Auntie – David Walliams
- Danny, Champion of the World – Roald Dahl
- The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Graeme
Entry fee £4
- Class 35 Verse Speaking Girls 9 years**
The Quarrel – Eleanor Farjeon A p.50
Entry fee £4

Class 36	Verse Speaking	Boys 9 years
	Dear Mum – Brian Patten	B p.102
	Entry fee £4	
Class 37	Verse Speaking	Girls 8 years
	I had a Little Cat – Charles Causley	B p.109
	Entry fee £4	
Class 38	Verse Speaking	Boys 8 years
	Sergeant Brown’s Parrot – Kit Wright	A p.240
	Entry fee £4	
Class 39	Verse Speaking	Girls 7 years
	Cats – Eleanor Farjeon	B p.26
	Entry fee £4	
Class 40	Verse Speaking	Boys 7 years
	Upside Down – Aileen Fisher	C p.19
	Entry fee £4	
Class 41	Verse Speaking	Girls and Boys 6 years
	Snowball – Shel Silverstein	B p.438
	Entry fee £4	
Class 43	Verse Speaking	Girls and Boys 4 and 5 years
	Happiness – A A Milne	A p.48
	Entry fee £4	

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Class 50 Choral Speaking P.4 and under

The Killyleagh Cup (presented by St Mary's Primary School, Killyleagh)

Five Eyes – Walter de la Mare C p.90

(no conducting to be used)

Entry fee £10

Class 51 Choral Speaking P.5 – 7

The Meta Thompson Cup (presented by Miss Meta Thompson)

The Sound Collector – Roger McGough B p.408

(no conducting to be used)

Entry fee £10

Class 52 Acting or Miming of one poem or ballad

The Millisle Cup (presented by Mrs Potts) **P.4 and under**

Own Choice of selection (not to exceed 5 minutes)

Entry fee £8

Class 53 Acting or Miming of one poem or ballad

The Kenmuir Cup (presented by Mrs Kenmuir) **P.5 - 7**

Own Choice of selection (not to exceed 5 minutes)

Entry fee £8

VERSE SPEAKING

CHILDREN ENTERING PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSES P2 to P7 MUST BE TAUGHT ONLY BY THEIR CLASS TEACHER.

Children who attend Speech & Drama lessons privately are of course eligible to enter any of the Open classes within their age group.

P2

The Lonely Dragon – Theresa Heine B p.191

P3

Dragon – Jean Kenward B p.253

P4

A Small Dragon – Brian Patten A p.160

P5

The Garden's Full of Witches – Colin McNaughton A p.165

P6

Ghost in the Garden – Berlie Doherty A p.156

P7

The Way through the Woods – Rudyard Kipling B p.249

Entry fee £4.

**PAYMENT AND ENTRIES FOR CHORAL SPEAKING AND SCHOOLS
VERSE SPEAKING CLASSES SHOULD BE SENT TO:**

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53 Rossdale Road

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