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Dear Principal,

## **CORONATION ART COMPETITION**

Coronations are a time for national rejoicing, seeing the best of our nation and joining in the fun. They are also a time for reflection. What does a monarchy mean today? Why do we have one? What is it like to be a King or Queen? How do they serve and represent the nation?

To celebrate this significant occasion, it would be wonderful to encourage young people from across the County to express their reaction to the Coronation. Therefore, I am launching a Coronation Art Competition. I am keen for young people to be able to express their personal experience of the events that have taken place through the medium of art in its broadest sense, whether paint, photography, collage, video, sculpture or in word. By closing entries at the end of the summer I hope that everyone will be able to produce a work of art that reflects their feelings of the Coronation and the associated festivities, whether they be the official ceremony, street parties, concerts or volunteering.

The competition runs from 14<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> September, so the contestants have both the Summer Term and the holidays to come up with their submission and is divided into four age categories: 4-6; 7-9; 10-12; and 13-16. The top ten in each group will have their work exhibited and invited to the Finalist Reception along with their family in October. The winner in each category will be awarded £100.

Individuals must forward their entries by email to [coronationart@outlook.com](mailto:coronationart@outlook.com), giving their name, age, school, the school's postcode, together with a high-resolution image (max 10Mb), [by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September](#). The maximum size of their contribution should be A3 but beyond that it is up to them what type of art they enter. The entries will be put before a panel of judges who will select the top ten in each category to be announced in October.

I am extremely keen for everyone to have an opportunity to participate in the Coronation Art Competition and I would be extremely grateful if you could encourage all your pupils no matter what their age or artistic/linguistic talent to enter. This is a competition for ALL.

I attach an information sheet giving details of the competition and please pass this on to your pupils, parent groups and anyone else you feel might be interested and encourage participation.

I hope you will agree that this is an imaginative way of engaging the young, I really appreciate your help and support.

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