



St Joseph's Catholic School, Fairfield

Year 7&8 Speeches - Term 3 2018

Dear Parents,

Next term the Waikato Full Primary Speech Competition is held. In previous years, we have incorporated this fully into our class programme and all students have written and presented a speech. This year, we are trying something a little different.

It will not be 'compulsory' for every student to do a speech this year. Students will have the opportunity to enter our speech competition if they wish, however it will not be the focus of their class work. We will still have our school competition for those who wish to enter. Our winning Yr 7 boy, Yr 7 girl, Yr 8 boy and Yr 8 girl qualify for a regional heat in the Waikato Speech competition (to be held in Week 7 of term), and from there the top two placegetters in each category qualify for the Waikato finals on Tuesday 18 September.

Students who wish to present a speech need to attend "Speeches Club" with Ms Svendsen for guidance and feedback on their speech. Speeches Club will be held on Thursday afternoons from 1.30-2.45pm, so these students will miss a few weeks of Rotations. Students will also need to be committed to spending some time at home writing and practising their speeches. These students will not have additional homework during this time.

Timeline for Speeches Club 2018:

Week 10 Term 3 - discussion with students about how speeches will run this year.				
Holidays - make a decision with your parents about whether to enter the competition Decide on your possible topic.				
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Planning: - Checking topic choice - Research - Planning main points - Effective introductions	Writing the main body of the speech. -Language devices - Supporting evidence - Flow	Writing the main body of the speech.	Conclusions Editing and improving Practice	Syndicate and School Finals - organisation and times to be confirmed depending on numbers

If you have any questions, please contact the classroom teacher or Ms Svendsen.

Thanks.
Year 7&8 Teachers.