

# Improvements Young Writers Competition



We are always looking for ways to improve and increase the reach of our year-round literacy programme. **Here are some of the improvements we have made to help teachers and students.**

## YWC Resource Bank

We are delighted to be introducing our writing resource bank for this year's competition. The resource pack will be emailed to all schools, as well as available on our website to support your students' writing all year round. The pack includes writing prompts, reading recommendations and writing tips from children's authors.

## Longer deadline

You said: "More time between announcements and submissions would be helpful!"

Being too busy and not having enough time was a key obstacle to participation in the Young Writers Competition for both teachers and students. To make it easier, we have extended our submission deadline to May 9th.

## Story starters

You said: "Some SEN/EAL children found it challenging to begin without prompts"

As part of our Writing Resources bank, we have provided tailored writing prompts and story starters for Junior, Senior and SEN students, including poetry frameworks specifically for SEN students.

## Image Bank

You said: "It would be lovely to have some inspirational resources i.e. ppt with images to give the children ideas."

We know that all students are different, and pictures can be a powerful prompt for imagination. We have created image banks full of interesting and exciting pictures to spark creativity.

## Posters, bookmarks & stickers

You said: "Further incentives, e.g. stickers, bookmarks."  
"Provide an A4 / A3 poster to advertise around school"

To encourage participation at schools, and create excitement for the competition, we have created a selection of posters, stickers and bookmarks that teachers can request for their school by emailing [education@wimbledonbookfest.org](mailto:education@wimbledonbookfest.org).