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INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VOICEBOX AWARDS 2024

SCOTLAND'S JOKE TELLING COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL PUPILS

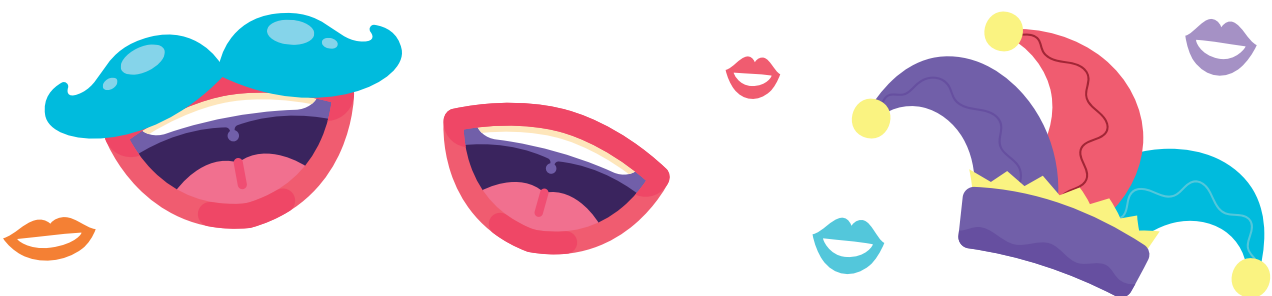
Attention: Pupil Council

Hello

Do you know a good joke? Do you have lots of funny pupils at your school? If the answer is yes, the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists would like to invite your school to take part in a joke competition called VoiceBox. Every primary school in Scotland can take part and it gives all pupils a chance to represent their school at the National Final in the Scottish Parliament!

We're asking each school to nominate their funniest joke by 1 April 2024 (not an April Fools!) and our judging panel will choose one finalist from each local authority area in Scotland.

All finalists will be invited to the Scottish Parliament on 6 June 2024 to tell their jokes in front of MSPs and a judging panel who will decide the winners.



WHY TAKE PART IN VOICEBOX?

Telling a joke and making others laugh can help everyone build their confidence. As a pupil council, you can use VoiceBox to get lots of pupils involved and show off how great your school is!

If your school's top joke-teller is successful, they will be invited to compete in the National Final at the Scottish Parliament where they will meet politicians, other pupils and teachers from across Scotland – plus they will receive £100 worth of books and have the chance to win £100 to spend on toys as well as £500 worth of books for your school.



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What you need to do

We're inviting the pupil council to organise your school's VoiceBox competition to find your funniest joke and then submit it to us by 1 April 2024. Perhaps you could organise your own joke competition at a school assembly or at lunchtime with the permission of your teachers.

You can use the VoiceBox poster and participation certificate which can be downloaded from our online toolkit at <https://www.rcslt.org/scotland/voicebox-2024/>

You will need to decide who will judge your competition – maybe a pupil from each year. Your funniest teacher could help, or maybe you'd like to invite a local radio presenter or politician? There's a template letter you can use on our website to do this.

Perhaps you could ask a local business to donate some prizes or write a piece in your school's newsletter about taking part in the competition. Or maybe you have your own ideas!

Your pupil council can decide exactly how to run your competition and once you've found your funniest joke a responsible adult (parent/guardian or teacher) needs to complete our online entry form by 1 April 2024. If your entry is selected to compete in the National Final, we will let them know by 6 May 2024.

We hope that the members of your pupil council will be interested in running a VoiceBox competition and we can't wait to hear your best joke!

Glenn Carter
Head of RCSLT Scotland

