

NORTHERN IRELAND

VOICEBOX awards

HAVE YOU
HEARD THE
ONE...



LOL!

2016 JOKE BOOK

FOREWORD

Speech, language and communication skills are fundamental to developing good literacy and numeracy. Without good communication skills, children will find it harder to make friends and do well at school.

Developing good communication can be fun and to demonstrate this, the Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly and the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists have, for a fourth time, hosted the Northern Ireland Voice Box Awards, a joke-telling competition for school children.

This year, thousands of pupils from primary, post-primary and special schools got involved by holding their own mini Voice Box competitions to select a pupil to represent their school. Out of all the entries received, 20 finalists were shortlisted to tell their jokes in front of MLAs and other invited guests in Parliament Buildings Stormont.



The Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists is working with the Northern Ireland Assembly to raise awareness of speech, language and communication difficulties. Visit www.givingvoiceuk.org for more information.



In this book, we have gathered together the entries from the 2016 competition. We hope that you will use it as part of a class or whole-school activity. Hopefully, it will remind you of the fun aspects of communication and the importance of building children's communication skills and confidence whatever their starting point.

Although there can only be one Voice Box Champion, we wanted to say thank you and well done to all the schools and the speech and language therapists who took up the 2016 Voice Box challenge. We look forward to having you join the competition next year!

Yours sincerely,



Anne Gamble
Chair of Voice Box 2016 Judging Panel
RCSLT
Country Representative



**PICTURED ON
FRONT COVER:**

2016 Voice Box Champion
Lily Barlow from Glencraig
Integrated Primary School.

2016 JOKES

Why are meteor jokes the best?
Because they are out of this world.

Aaron Hughes, Y8, RBAI

Why did Cinderella get kicked out of the football team?
Because she ran away from the ball.

Alicia Jones, P4,
St Dallan's Primary

Why did the man lose his job at the orange juice factory?
Because he couldn't concentrate!

Anthony May, Y12,
Beechlawn Special School



Two flies are playing football in a saucer and one says,
"Make a decent effort, we are playing in the cup tomorrow."

Ashton Morris, P5, Regent House Preparatory Department

What do you call a fake noodle?
An impasta! (imposter)

Benjamin Johnston, P4,
McClintock Primary

What do you get when you cross one principal with another principal?
I wouldn't do it, principals don't like to be crossed.

Bob Pearson, Yr 8, Fleming Fulton
2016 Post-Primary Category Winner

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Post-primary category winner Bob Pearson, accompanied by his teacher Mr Johnston, receives his trophy from Deputy First Minister Martin McGuinness and Alison McCullough MBE Head of RCSLT NI, at the 2016 Voice Box Awards final.

What did one hat say to the other hat?
You stay here, I'm going on a head.

Callum Breen, P2,
St Anne's Primary

What happened to Ray when he was eaten by a monster?

He became an X-Ray!

Bryce Metcalfe, P5a, Thornfield House Special School



There was a boy and at his nursery school. His teacher told him to learn the first three letters of the alphabet. So when he got home he asked his mum what the first letter was. She was on the phone so she said, "Be quiet!"

Then he went to his sister who was obsessed with Elvis Presley and he said, "What's the second letter of the alphabet?" She replied, "Elvis Presley, Elvis Presley."

Then he went to his little brother and asked him, "What's the third letter of the alphabet?" He replied, "In my little brrrum brrrum car!"

So he goes into school the next morning and the teacher asks, "What are the first three letters of the alphabet?" He says, "Be quiet." The teacher says, "Who do you think you are?" He replies, "Elvis Presley, Elvis Presley." The teacher says, "How are you going to get away with this?" And he replies, "In my little brrrum brrrum car!"

Charlie Magrath, P6, Grange Park Primary



What do you call cheese that isn't yours?
Nacho cheese.

Chloe Spence, P4,
Towerview Primary

BAHAHA

Why did the farmer
take the cows on a
bumpy ride?
**Because he wanted a
milkshake.**

Cheyenne Satchells-Gentles, P3,
Sion Mills Primary

LOL!



Teacher "what should
you say to a cheeky
giraffe?
Wind your neck in!"

P7, Brooklands Primary

Why did the toilet roll
down the hill?
To get to the bottom.

Cameron Clements, P5,
Acorn Integrated Primary

Why did the sheep
cross the road?
**Because it wanted to
go to the baaa...rbers!**

Caoilain Glennon, P4,
Fleming Fulton



Two friends were walking through
the graveyard, looking at the
headstones. They came upon a
headstone that said, "Here lays a
politician, an honest man."
**One friend says to the other,
"There must be two men buried
there!"**

Cody Walker, P7, Bessbrook Primary

BAHAHA





A wife asks her husband to describe her.
He said, "You're A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K."

She asked, "What does that mean?"

He said, "Adorable, Beautiful, Cute,
Delightful, Elegant, Fashionable, Gorgeous,
Hot!"

She said, "Oh that's so lovely, but what
about I, J and K?"

"I'm just kidding," he said.

Connor Gaw, P7, Dundonald Primary



Why did the school boy
eat his homework?
Because his teacher said
it was a piece of cake!

Culann Brennan, P5,
Wallace Preparatory School

What did the mouse say
to his unwanted friend?
"You know what they say,
two's company, cheese
a crowd!"

Damon Corbett, Y10,
St Joseph's Boys High School

Why can't ghosts sing in
church?
Because they don't have
any organs.

Daniel Millar, Y9,
Thornfield House Special School



HAHA!

Did you hear the news? Wee boy at Sacred Heart PS
gives cheek to teacher. This is what happened: So
this wee boy went to school and his teacher asked
him, "What are the first four letters of the alphabet?"
He said he didn't know, so his teacher said, "For your
homework, learn the first four letters of the alphabet."
He went home.

That night he asked his Mummy what the first letter of
the alphabet was. His mum was on the phone.
She answered, "Be quiet."

Next he went to his Dad. He asked his Dad what the
second letter of the alphabet was. He shouted, "Yes."
because his favourite football team, Manchester
United, had just scored.

After that he asked his sister, "What's the third letter of
the alphabet?" She was listening to Michael Jackson
on her iPad, so she replied, "Michael Jackson."

Then he went to his little brother and asked him what
the fourth letter of the alphabet was. He was playing
with his toy cars, so he replied, "In my little brum brum
car."

The next day he went to school and his teacher asked
him, "What is the first letter of the alphabet?" He said,
"Be quiet." His teacher said, "Go to the principal's
office now." So he went to the principal's office and
the principal said, "Who do you think you are?" The
wee boy replied, "Michael Jackson." The principal
said, "How do you think you are going to get away with
this?" The wee boy replied, "In my little brum brum car."

Damian McGuinness, P5, Sacred Heart Primary

LOL!



What do you call a blind dinosaur?
Do-you-think-he-saw-us?

David Ross, SLC2,
Ebrington Primary

LOL!

My daddy sat on his
iPhone but when he
stood up he found an
iPad.

Eoghan Murray, P7,
Harberton Special School

What do you call a
million rabbits walking
backwards?

A receding hareline.

Eden Haycock, Y9,
Ashfield Girls High School

A boy rings a restaurant
and says, "Do you do
take away?"

The lady replies, "yes."
Boy says, "What's five
take away four?"
The lady hangs up.

Fionn McManus, P5,
Holy Trinity Primary

HAHA!

What do you call a man
with no body and no
nose?

Nobodynose.

Jack Kelly, Y8,
St Joseph's Boys' School

Where does a snowman
go to dance?
A snowball.

Jo Jo Berry, Y11, Killard House

What did the
ground say to the
earthquake?
"You crack me up!"

Josh Letson, Y10, Rosstulla

Who is the most magical
pig in the world?
Harry Porker!

Jude McKernon, P5,
St Bernards Primary



What do you call a
flying jelly?
A jellycopter.

James De Muelemeester,
J1, Glenveagh



What did the traffic light
say to the man walking
past?

**"Don't look! I'm
changing."**

Kaci Canning, P6,
St Peter's & St Paul's Primary



Primary category
winner Killian Duffy
shares his joke with
compere Eamonn
Mallie and the
audience at the
Voice Box awards
final in Stormont,
March 2016.

Killian: Will you remember me
in 10 years' time?
Sean: Yes.

Killian: Will you remember me
next year?
Sean: Yes.

Killian: Will you remember me
in one month?
Sean: Yes.

Killian: Will you remember me
in one minute?
Sean: Yes.

Killian: Will you remember me
in one second?
Sean: Yes.

Killian: Knock, Knock.
Sean: Who's there?

Killian: You've forgotten me
already!

Killian Duffy, P7, Our Lady's Tullysaran
2016 Primary Category Winner

LOL!

An inflatable boy went to an
inflatable school, with inflatable
pupils and inflatable staff. One
day he ran amok around the
school with a drawing pin.
Pssst! Pssst! Pssst! The deflated
principal called him into her
study and said, **"You let me
down, you let yourself down,
you've let everyone down!"**

Lily Barlow, P4, Glencraig Integrated Primary
Voice Box 2016 Champion

What did the snowman
say to the other
snowman?
"Do you smell carrots?"

Luca Gallagher, P1,
St Coleman's Primary

What is a koala's
favourite sweets?
Koality Street.

Luke McClure, P1,
Cooley Primary

BAHAHA

Why did the boy eat
his computer?
**Because it was an
Apple.**

Katrina Nicholl, P2,
Kilmoyle Primary



A mushroom walks into a bar
and asks the waiter for a drink,
and the waiter says,
"We don't serve your kind"
And mushroom says,
"Why not? I'm a fun-guy!"

Matthew McLaughlin, P4,
Oakgrove Integrated Primary



Knock knock.
Who's there?
Knock.
Knock who?
Knockmore

Max Nel, SCU3 Y7,
Knockmore Primary

BAHAHA

Where do rabbits
learn to fly?

The Royal Hare Force!

Natalie Johnston, Y10,
Downshire School

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Ivan.
Ivan who?
I've an itchy nose.

Molly McLaughlin, P7,
St Mary's Primary



Three ducks are crossing
the road. One duck goes,
"Quack quack".
The other one says,
"I am going as
quack as I can."

Nathan Haughan, Y15,
Mitchell House

Dear algebra, please
stop telling me to find
your X.

**She's not coming back
and I don't know Y either.**

Owen McKinley, SCUD, Killard House



One day I was watching a wildlife
show and the man said, "This is a
lion in its most natural habitat." I
said, "I can do better than that."
So I went up to my Mum's
bedroom and said, "This is my
mum in her most natural habitat,
eating some top notch toast."

Reece Allingham Groves, P7,
St Oliver Plunkett Primary

The teacher asked Ben,
"What do you call a
person that carries on
talking when no one is
interested or listening?"
Ben replies, "A teacher."

Robbie Dunn, P5, Straid Primary

HEHE



What does the bee
say to the flower?
"Hello
hoooooneeeeyyy"

Rosanna Beattie, P3,
Holy Family Primary



A thief broke into my
house last night.
He was searching for
money so I got up and
searched with him!

Ryan Murray, P7,
Faughanvale Primary



What's the difference
between a teacher and a
train?

The teacher says, "Spit out
that gum." And the train
goes, "Chew chew!"

Senan Devine, P5, St John's Primary



Why do robbers
play tennis?
Because they are
always in court.

Sarah Jess, P7,
Brookfield Primary

There are three men, Manners, Be Quiet and
Poop. One day Poop slips and Manners goes
to help him up. Be Quiet keeps on walking,
soon he meets a police officer, and he asks,
"Hello, what is your name?" He replies, "Be
Quiet!" The police officer gets angry, "Excuse
me? What is your name?" "Be Quiet!" The
police officer loses his temper, "Excuse me!
Where are your manners?" Be Quiet replies,
"Around the corner picking up Poop."

Taeya Quinn, P7, Enniskillen Integrated Primary



What do you think was
the last thing my granny
said before she kicked the
bucket?

"How far do you think I can
kick this bucket?"

Tony Luby, Class 5/6,
Ardnashee School & College



A boy puts up his hand and says,
"Miss I need to go to the toilet."
The teacher says, "First, tell me the
alphabet." So the boy says the
alphabet, "A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O Q R S T U V W X Y Z."

Then the teacher says, "Where is
the P?" And the boy says, "Half way
down my leg miss!"

Una Kearney, P6, St John's Primary



FURTHER INFORMATION



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