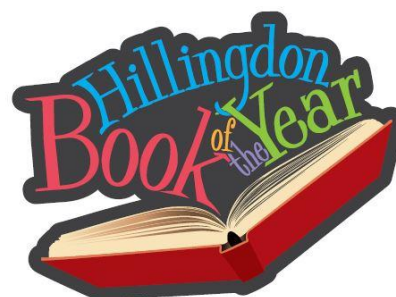




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Newsflash Alert: Hillingdon Picture Book of the Year Finale 2015



Children's comic Mark Jones to host Finale event

We are really excited to announce that children's comic Mark Jones, will be hosting this year's award finale. Prepare yourselves for audience participation and probably the odd joke or two about burps or farting!

Want to bring more pupils than last year?

Now you can, this year up to 10 children from each school, plus two school staff are welcome to attend the event. Remember that all students attending must be permitted to appear in publicity photos and video.



Creative displays are back!

Good news, the option to bring and display creative work is back this year, there will be space to display your school's work at the finale and we will then take the exhibition 'on tour' around Hillingdon's public libraries, starting at Uxbridge library. Encouraging your pupils to produce artwork is a great way to further engage them with the themes and ideas in the books. We are really excited to see what work they come up with. We also feel that producing artwork might appeal to those students who would be less confident about performing on stage.

- Art work in any media (paint, collage, models, sculpture, pencil drawings)
- Creative writing (stories, poetry - with or without illustrations)
- You will be allocated a space / table on which to display your work.
- Size - we don't want to limit creativity so be bold and big, but be mindful items must be able to be easily transported
- Please bring along your own display boards if needed as unfortunately these can't be provided.



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Presenting to win!

Whilst we all know that the presentation is a rewarding experience that allows children to develop and practice a variety of skills including: Team working, literacy, public speaking, communication, debating and confidence building.



Here are our top tips for your ensuring your group's success:

- Encourage the group to practice, practice, practice - those that can deliver presentations without notes tend to do better
- Costumes and props can make your presentations more dynamic
- Use characterisation, drama, dance etc to express your ideas
- Smile and have fun!
- We're really sorry but PowerPoint or other e-presentations are not suitable for this event.

New Trophy for best school presentation

General Mills have kindly agreed to supply us with a shiny new trophy for the awards to mark the 10th Year of their sponsorship. It will be presented to the winning school at this year's finale and will be engraved with the school name, it will then pass to the new winners in 2016.

Programme for the Finale event

We have produced a draft programme for the morning explaining how the event will run. It is included with this alert.

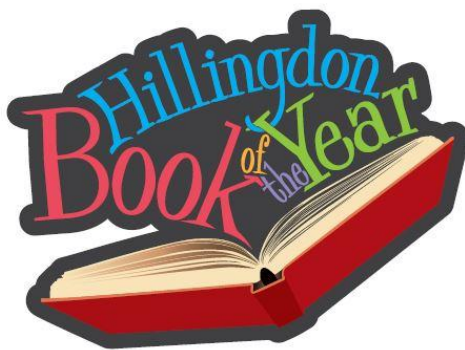
If you have any queries about the awards, the finale or what is expected of you or your students, please do get in touch and we will be happy to assist you.

We look forward to seeing your presentations at the finale event

Yours sincerely,
Schools' Library Service Team

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Draft Programme

Hillingdon Picture Book of the Year

- 9.30am** Students arrive & set up school's display that introduces your students' favourite book from the HSBY shortlist.
- 9.45am** Mark Jones - Welcome and introductions
- 9.50am** Helen Branscombe-Davies, of sponsors General Mills
- 9.55am** Mark Jones introduces first presentation
- 10.40am** 20 minute refreshment break
- 11.00am** Student presentations
- 11.40am** Sam Everett - Summer Reading Challenge 2015
- 11.50am** Guest speaker - Nicholas Allan author of *The Queen's Knickers*
- 12.15pm** The Worshipful the Mayor of Hillingdon will announce the winners of best presentation and award certificates to all attending schools, including opportunities for photos
- 12.30pm** Picture Book of the Year 2015 announced
- 12.45pm** Close

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