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Metropolitan South and Metropolitan South and West Public Speaking Competition (MS&MS&W)

Dear Parents and/or Carers,

During Term 3, students will continue to develop their public speaking skills, as part of the Speaking and Listening outcomes. This year, Clemton Park Public School will participate in the Metropolitan South and Metropolitan South and West Public Speaking Competition, previously known as the School Performance South Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition, which aims to showcase talented public speakers among primary school students.

Students in Stage 2 will present their prepared speeches in-class during **Week 4 in Term 3**. Two representatives from each class will be chosen to progress to a Stage 2 Speak-Off in **Week 6, Term 3**. From there, one finalist will be selected to represent Clemton Park Public School at the Network Final.

The prepared speech duration for Stage 2 is **three minutes** and the duration of impromptu speeches is **one minute**. There will be NO microphones, so students need to project their voice. Students may choose <u>ANY TOPIC OF INTEREST</u> for their prepared speech, suitable for a school audience. It <u>MUST</u> <u>be of a persuasive nature</u>, where they are required to express their own opinion and consider how it would affect others in a broader context with a community or a national focus. Speech topics are **NOT** to be related to the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. Some suggested topics are:

Hidden treasures	Friendship is important	Our environment
Technology is making us lazy	Healthy living is vital	You can't judge a book by its cover
Fame isn't all that it seems	Family is everything	Everyone should play an instrument

Students should practise their speech using the following criteria as guidelines:

Manner	Matter	Method
(refers to the delivery and	(refers to the content in the	(refers to how a speech is
presentation of the speech)	speech)	organised)
Modulates their tone,	Persuasive – Incorporates own	Well-structured (includes
expression, volume and	point of view	introduction, body and
speed		conclusion)
Makes eye contact	Includes reasons and examples	Links ideas throughout the
	to support their point of view	speech
Maintains a steady stance	Leaves audience with a message	

We look forward to your ongoing support and co-operation in encouraging your child to participate in public speaking.

Stage 2 teachers

Mr Robinson Principal