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National Write a Poem Competition 2021-22



Once again, PDST is inviting students to **Write a Poem** under two categories: Junior Cycle and Senior Cycle. We hope that this popular competition will encourage young writers to compose poetry and assist teachers in supporting the writing of poetry.

Rules of the Competition

- > All entries must be submitted electronically via email and typed (not scanned or handwritten)
- Each entrant may submit **one** poem
- Each entry must include
 - a. the Title of the Poem
 - b. the Name of the Entrant
 - c. the Name and Address of the School
 - d. the Category
 - e. Teacher Name, email address & mobile number
- > Emailed entries must be sent by the teacher or school and <u>not</u> by the student
- Where an entry is inspired by or written in response to a particular poem, the name of the poem and the poet must be clearly stated on the entry and, where possible, a copy of the original poem should be attached
- The competition is aimed at individual writers. Class sets of poems will not be considered as entries for the competition.

Please note that entrants should keep a copy of their poems, as poems will **not** be returned.

Prizes for the Writers

The winning poets in each section will receive a commemorative plaque and their poem will be published on the PDST Post-Primary website and printed in the PDST National Poetry Award booklet.

Prizes will be presented at an online award ceremony organised by the PDST in association with Laois Education Centre in March 2022.

All entries should be emailed to <u>margaretmary@laoisedcentre.ie</u> Closing date for receipt of entries is Friday 21st January 2022