1ST ANNUAL - LOTG PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

KEELIN SHANLEY WRITING AWARD



SENIOR CYCLE - TY, 5TH & 6TH YEAR

ABOUT THIS AWARD

Senior Cycle Students are invited to submit works of short fiction, poetry or journalism (personal essay/article) to a new literary award organised by the Parents' Association and judged by Writer-in-Residence, Dave Rudden.

This award seeks to find the very best young authors the school has to offer, and will be supported by two sign-up writing workshops focused on advanced writing techniques.

BRIEF FROM DAVE RUDDEN WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE AND JUDGE

'What we're looking for is not just a spark of inspiration that might start a great story or poem, but the ability to refine that first draft into a piece with a strong voice, well-thought-out characterisation and plot, and a clear sense of the author's theme. Having worked with these students, I'm genuinely very excited to see what they produce.'



PROMPTS:

Entries to be based on any prompt below:

- 1.'A Light That Never Goes Out.'
- 2. 'Crowds.'
- 3. 'Hard Truths.'

COMPETITION RULES:

- 1. Maximum Word Count Per Entry 1500 words
- 2. Multiple Pieces Can Be Included In A Single Entry
- 3. Entries must be submitted by Friday 23rd March to



PRIZES:

1st Prize: €100 & Keelin Shanley Perpetual Trophy

2nd Prize: €50

