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Dear Head Teacher,

### **Firework Safety Poem and Poster Competition 2020**

**Win a £10 book token!**

We hope this letter finds you well. We know that it has been a tough six months for children across the country and so we thought it would be nice if they had something positive to take part in. As with previous years, we are inviting school children from across the county to enter Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service's annual Firework Safety Competition.

There are two competitions running:

**Pre-School/Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**  
**Design a Firework Safety Poster**

**Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6**  
**Write a Firework Safety Poem or Rhyme and Decorate It**

The aim of the competitions is to remind children about the dangers of fireworks and to encourage them to use them safely. We know that this year's celebrations will be different due to COVID-19 and a lot of displays have been cancelled. This obviously raises additional concerns around families setting off fireworks in their own back garden. This not only increases the risk of a fire, but also injuries to children. With this in mind, we would like to reach as many young people as possible before the big day to help them understand how to keep themselves safe.

Each winner will receive a prize of a £10 book token and a winners certificate.



In addition to their prize, they will also have their poster/poem enlarged and reprinted in time to be used as part of this year's campaign. If you would like to see an example of previous winners, please contact us.

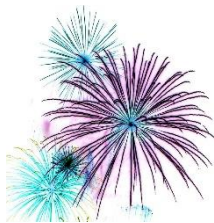
The winners will be chosen by members of Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Services Community Fire Safety Team. The decision of the judges is final.

**The closing date for entries is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020. Please can you make sure that all entries have the name of the child, their age and school on the back of the poster/poem, as last year we had lots of amazing posters and poems but did not know who had created them.** I have included a template which you may wish to use.

Please see the following pages for more information about each competition and good luck!

Yours faithfully

Sarah Shepherd  
Community Fire Safety Officer.



## The Two Competitions

### Entry for Pre-School/Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children

#### Design a Firework Safety Poster

Posters should be colourful and designed to deliver a simple yet eye-catching firework safety message. Appropriate safety messages might include:

- Stay a safe distance away from fireworks
- Sparklers stay hot after they go out
- Keep pets indoors
- Never give sparklers to the Under 5's
- Never put lit fireworks in your pocket
- Don't fool with fireworks
- Stay back – Fireworks burn

### Entry for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 children

#### Write a Firework Safety Poem or Rhyme and Decorate It

Poems/Rhymes should be at least four lines long and deliver a firework safety message. Children may decorate their entry if they choose to.

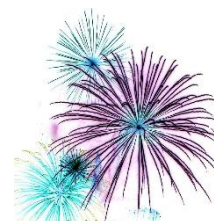
**There will be ten winners, one poem winner and one poster winner for each district or borough.**

**Important: please write which district the school is in on all returned envelopes.**

Children can enter as many times as they wish, but **must write their name, age, and school on the back of their posters**. All entries must be on **A4** sized paper/card. I have enclosed a template that you may wish to use to ensure that all necessary information is included on each entry.

Please send your entries to:

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## Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service Bonfire Competition 2020

**Please complete this information, create your poster/poem on the reverse and return to your class teacher, we look forward to your entry and good luck!**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Key Stage** \_\_\_\_\_

**School** \_\_\_\_\_

**District** \_\_\_\_\_