



49th International Letter-Writing Competition 2020



Royal Gibraltar Post

RULES

1. THEME

“Write a message to an adult about the world we live in”.

For entry forms and the examination of previous winning efforts please visit the Royal Gibraltar Post Office’s website..... ***www.royalgibraltar.post*** & ***UPU website***. Entry forms will also be available from the Schools.

2. PARTICIPATION

- 2.1 The competition is open to participants ***up to the age of 15 years*** on ***3 April 2020***. They must be at School in Gibraltar.
- 2.2 All entries become the property and copyright of the Royal Gibraltar Post Office.
- 2.3 The UN UPU International Bureau **cannot** accept entries sent directly by schools or private individuals.

3. LATEST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

Submissions are to be made via Teachers at Schools (details will be promulgated via the Schools). Cut-off date / time for the competition is midday Friday 3rd April 2020.

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4. LANGUAGE AND FORMAT

- 4.1 Letter must strictly respect the set theme.
- 4.2 Letter must contain the basic elements thereof: address; date; opening & closing salutation; signature.
- 4.3 **Letter must be written in English. It may include illustrations from the writer.**
- 4.4 **LETTER MUST BE TYPED.**
- 4.5 Letter must be an original composition by the writer.
- 4.6 Letter must be no more than 1,000 words.
- 4.7 Letter may not refer to the National Country (**GIBRALTAR**) by name or identify the writer.
- 4.8 Letter and the completed Entry Form must be submitted via Teachers at Schools.

5. JUDGING AND PRIZES

- 5.1 The Appointed Judges' decision is final.
- 5.2 Winners' parents / guardians will be notified and winning particulars passed to the Media.
- 5.3 There will be prizes for the First, Second & Third selected entries as follows:
- 1st Prize.....Trophy & £300.
 - 2nd Prize.....Certificate & £200
 - 3rd Prize.....Certificate & £100
 - Certificates will also be presented to each individual school winner and any other letters meriting a Special Mention by the Judges.
- 5.4 The following criteria will be used to judge the quality of the letters:
- Structure as a letter
 - Adherence to the theme
 - Creativity; and.....
 - Use of language

6. INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

- 6.1 The winner will represent Gibraltar at international level in the UN UPU's main competition for 2020. There will gold, silver and bronze medals for the international winners; the gold medal may be presented at UN UPU Headquarters in Berne, SWITZERLAND. The winner and parents may be invited to attend.
- 6.2 Alana Sacarello from St Josephs Middle School won 2nd Prize "Silver Medal" and several extra prizes from the UN UPU in 2019, the first time for a Gibraltarian.