

Dear Parent

Each year speeches are held at school and each year I send home the Franklin Speech Criteria for the judging. We align our expectations and marking with that of Franklin so the children know fully the expectations needed. Due to the term timetable being very full, it would be advisable for the children to start writing their speeches over the holiday break. Just a few topics from previous years which can be used again are : Why should we recycle?, Why Smoking should be Banned?, Why we shouldn't watch too much TV?, Is Ice-Cream better than Chocolate?, Why mountain biking is a great Sport ,Laughing is good for you, why? Are some animals smarter than humans?

**Dates for this year's competitions:**

Class speeches - Week 4 – Term 2

Syndicate speeches - Week 5 – Friday 2 June (School Hall, 10.30 am Yrs.4,5,6,7,8.)

School speeches - Week 6 - Tuesday 6 June (School Hall, 6pm evening)

Franklin speeches – Week 7 - yrs. 5&6 Tuesday 13 June - Baptist Church, Victoria St  
( 7.00 pm ) Yrs. 7&8 Wednesday 14 June “ “

Kind Regards

  
Marlene Fletcher DP

**The speeches will be judged using the following criteria:**

- \*Content: The speech should include persuasive language as well as research and personal opinion.  
The speech should inform and persuade.
- \*Topic: Children may talk on a school approved topic.  
The quality of language must be appropriate for a formal public speaking situation.
- \*Length: 3 minutes: any speech less than 2 mins 30 secs or longer than 3 mins 30 secs will be penalised.

**(See attached marking sheet)**

**Speechmakers should not address the judges or audience at the beginning or the end of his/her speech.**

There are to be NO props or costumes.

**Gestures should be limited.**

Judges will be asked to adhere strictly to the criteria when judging.

**Impromptu speeches will be expected from some Year 7 & 8 finalists only.**

These will be based around a topic, object, statement, or word; the same being used for each contestant. Not every contestant will be invited to do this.

The length of impromptu speech is 1 minute (with 1 minute thinking time.)

A red card will be held up at 50 seconds as a cue to the speaker to finish.

# FRANKLIN SCHOOLS' SPEECH COMPETITION

## MARKING SHEET

<b>SPEAKER:</b>		
<b>TITLE:</b>		
<b>INTRODUCTION</b> Did they catch the audience?	<b>10</b>	
<b>PRESENTATION</b> Voice: 10 <i>Volume /Expression /Clarity</i> Fluency: 10 <i>Pace/Use of cue cards /</i> <i>Familiarity with content</i> Stance: 5 Eye contact: 5	<b>30</b>	
<i>Research Evident</i> <b>CONTENT</b> Informative 10 Persuasive 10 Vocabulary or Technical Language: 10 Sequence/Flow: 10 Audience Reaction: 10	<b>50</b>	
<b>CONCLUSION</b> Have they left the audience thinking?	<b>10</b>	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>100%</b>	
TIME:		
REMARKS:		