



## WRITING COMPETITION WINNERS

**The Junior School recently held a writing competition, based around the theme of “Belonging”.**

We were thrilled with how many students entered a story or poem around this theme. Every entry will receive a house point. Ms Hansford and I loved reading through the entries from the finalists for each grade. It was challenging to pick winners but those that placed were chosen for their originality, their descriptive language, the sophistication of their sentences for their age and their story telling ability. These entries will later be published in a Thomas Hassall magazine.

As part of their prize, students from Years 1 – 6 that came first or second, and those that were selected as wild cards (students that showed great potential), were able to participate in a workshop with visiting author, Penny Reeve. Penny focused on how to build a strong character and how certain characteristics, quirks or wants of the character can then drive the plot. She said that “character and plot are best friends”. The students learnt that writing a story is like seeing a movie in your mind which you then communicate through your words to clearly get the same movie into the mind of the reader.

Well done to all who entered and congratulations to the winners listed below. Stay tuned for an upcoming P – 6 illustrators’ competition!

| Grade | Places:1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th      | Wildcard |
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|       |            |     |     | Marian T |          |

| <b>Prep Grade</b> | Harrison M Carmichael<br><b>Places:1st</b> | Kiara D Carmichael<br><b>2nd</b> | Liana G Liddell<br><b>3rd</b> | Carmichael<br><b>4th</b><br>Angus S | NA<br><b>Wildcard</b> |
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|                   |                                            |                                  |                               | Lewis                               |                       |
| <b>Kinder</b>     | Belle E Wilberforce                        | Evie R Lewis                     | Sophia C Liddell              | Dean B Carmichael                   | NA                    |
| <b>Year 1</b>     | Rhiannon C Wilberforce                     | Ethan T Liddell                  | Lucas C Lewis                 | Chevelle M Liddell                  | Delphy M Liddell      |
| <b>Year 2</b>     | Leo V Carmichael                           | Ian D Liddell                    | Darren M Lewis                | Ava S Wilberforce                   | Hannah L Liddell      |
| <b>Year 3</b>     | Orlando C Carmichael                       | John M Liddell                   | Claire E Liddell              | Calvin C Liddell                    | Claudia A Lewis       |
| <b>Year 4</b>     | Savannah P Wilberforce                     | Paige H Carmichael               | Noah B Carmichael             | Skyla Y Liddell                     | NA                    |
| <b>Year 5</b>     | Isaac E Lewis                              | Tahlia D Liddell                 | Abigail H Lewis               | Angelique E Liddell                 | Lilianna T Carmichael |
| <b>Year 6</b>     | Nadine W Liddell                           | Anvesh S Wilberforce             | Katarina T Wilberforce        | Veronika V Wilberforce              | Chloe L Carmichael    |

**Mrs Alex Saville**

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