

Through this competition, **ROTARY** encourages the development of creativity and presentation skills essential to the art of public speaking, and this is shown through the enthusiasm of the students from the many schools which take part. **The Rotary GBI Youth Speaks competition**, as a result, continues to go from strength to strength each year, producing some superb quality speakers in our young people aged from 11 to 18.

TO ACCESS ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUTH SPEAKS, CLICK ON EACH OF THESE LINKS AND DOWNLOAD THE INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN

(info pack / guidance notes / poster)

2015-16 - YOUTH SPEAKS IN DISTRICT 1220 For some time the Youth Speaks competition has not taken place in this District, however Youth Services is pleased to announce that Rotary Burton-upon-Trent is actively involved and seeking to re-establish it as a youth opportunity albeit initially in its own locality of South Derbyshire & East Staffordshire, however any other club which is interested in reviving YOUTH SPEAKS within the schools in which it is involved or would like to join with Burton-upon-Trent should immediately get in touch with it's co-ordinator Rtn.Rev. Mike Redshaw at mike@revmike.co.uk or on 01283 564439

## IMPACT ON NATIONAL CURRICULUM

Clubs approaching schools ad offering **YOUTH SPEAKS** as an opportunity for student advancement should emphasise it fulfils the following

**PSHE & Citizenship - Key Stage 2** - Talk about their opinions and explain their views on issues that affect themselves and society. Ressarch, discuss, debate topical issues, problems and events.

**English Key Stage 2 -** Group discussion and interaction, take up and sustain different roles (chair, spokesperson). Speak with confidence, audibly and clearly. Gain and maintain interest and response of audience.



#### YOUTH SPEAKS STRUCTURE & AIMS

This four stage national competition aims to encourage development of effective communication skills. It offers young people:

- Experience of speaking on a public platform as a member of a team
- An incentive to formulate ideas on topical subjects
- Discipline in dealing with a topic in a limited time
- The opportunity of learning and practicing high standards of expression, presentation and appearance
- Impartial feedback of performance by experienced adjudicators

The competition is open to teams of three, in full time education, in two ages groups: Intermediate 11 - 13 years Senior 14 - 17 years

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING YOUTH SPEAKS - CONTACT THE ROTARY DISTRICT YOUTH SERVICES CO-ORDINATOR via the Youth Services Team page of the District: http://district.rotary1220.org/service-committees/district-projects/youth-services

# Rotary GBI Youth Speak Competition 2014/15 - National Final

The Youth Speaks National Final took place at Brentwood School, Essex on Sunday 10th May 2015 with seven regional winners taking part in each age section, intermediate and senior. The results of each category were as follows;

### **INTERMEDIATE**

**WINNERS**: Colchester Royal Grammar School "The Importance of Learning Lnaguages" **RUNNERS-UP**: Wirral grammar School For Girls "Should Capital Punishment Be Re-introduced"

THIRD PLACE: West Exe School, Exeter "Adult Misconceptions of Teenagers"

**Best Chairperson**: Ella James (West Exe School, Exeter)

**Best Speaker**: Gorak Rajesh (Colchester Royal Grammar School)

Best Vote of Thanks: Annie Gould (Hutchesons' Grammar School, Glasgow)

### **SENIOR**

**WINNERS**: The High School Glasgow "Learning to Teach; Teaching to Learn"

**RUNNERS-UP**: Balshaw's C of E High School Leyland "No Neverland" **THIRD PLACE**: Scarborough College "If it Hadn't Been Raining"

**Best Chairperson**: Adil Ali (Adams Grammar School, Wellington, Shropshire)

**Best Speaker**: Murray Webster (The High School of Glasgow)

**Best Vote of Thanks**: Christopher O'Leary (The High School of Glasgow)