PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Dear Parents,

At Farmborough Public School we place great value in public speaking. In order to provide greater opportunities for all students who are developing these skills we will be running a school based public speaking competition in 2015.

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be expected to participate. They will need to prepare a short speech on an open-ended topic to be presented in front of their class. As much as possible the content for the speech should come from the students’ ideas. Parents could help by discussing and suggesting ideas that might be useful and by listening to the students when they practice their completed presentations. One student from each grade will be given the opportunity to present at a whole school assembly in Education week next term.

The competition will proceed as follows:

- Term 2, Week 9 - Topics and competition details sent home and discussed in class. Students are to prepare and rehearse their speeches at home.

- Term 3, Week 1 and 2 – Class presentations. Classroom teachers will inform students of their presentation date.

- Term 3, Week 3 – Three finalists from each grade will present again, and complete an impromptu speech (Kindergarten excepted). Each Grade winner will then present during assembly in this week.

- A stage winner will go on to represent our school at the Community of Schools Competition. Dates for this presentation will follow, this event will occur at the Illawarra Sports High School.

Topics:

- Kindergarten – My Favourite Toy (30 seconds to 1 minute)

- Year 1 and Year 2 – My family is special to me because... (1-2 minutes)

- Year 3 and Year 4 – My secret life as a superhero! (2-3 minutes)

- Year 5 and Year 6 – My favourite festival or celebration. (3-4 minutes)