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To: All Parents (Class 4 to 9) From: The Principal Subject: Young Author Awards 2016 - Inter school Writing Competition

Dear Parents,

Learning to write is a challenging task. From poems to short stories to autobiographies to much more.

Yes, even kids are specialists – in their own way. Many kids, with just an ounce of encouragement, will talk your ear off about their hobbies or interests. They are often more aware of the latest trends than adults. So, in keeping with the success and launch of the 'Young Author Awards' for the previous year, 27 stories were compiled in a book called 'Pens of Fame'. It was launched last year at AMA, Ahmedabad. This book is available at all **Crossword** outlets in Ahmedabad. The School Post is coming up with the second volume again this year. Please find the details of the competition attached with the circular.

Please note it is optional for the students to participate in the competition

We request the interested students to bring their story as per the guidelines of the competition to the school and share the same with their respective English Teachers by 26th September 2016, Monday. The participation fee is **Rs.200/-** and the money would be deducted from the Imprest fees paid for your ward.

Kindly note the final letters (after the feedback from English teachers) should reach the school latest by 30th September 2016, Friday for the students to take part in this competition.

Please let us know the consent for your ward's participation by filling the following confirmation slip and submit the same to the Home Room Teacher at the earliest.

Regards, English Educators- Redbricks School

CONFIRMATION SLIP

Name of the Parent:	Child's name:
Class:	
Consent for deducting the amount from Imprest fees and participation in the competition: Yes No	

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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SUBJECT: YOUNG AUTHOR AWARDS 2016- INTER SCHOOL STORY WRITING COMPETITON

A blank piece of paper is God's way of telling us how hard it to be God. - Sidney Sheldon

We list below the key points for Young Author Awards:

- a) One story per student.
- b) Story must be in English Language only.
- c) Contest is divided in two categories- JUNIORS (Grades IV- VII) & SENIORS (Grades VIII-XII)
- d) Out of the total entries received, Top Ten in each grade will enter the *"List of Honor"* for which they will be awarded certificates.
- e) Top three entries in each grade will be eligible to be a part of *"Hall Of Fame"* and their stories will be compiled in of 'Pens of Fame' volume II. *(The book will be published subject to the stories passing the stringent test of a desired level).*
- f) Young Author Award will be given to the first position holder in the *"Hall Of Fame"* while the other two get First Runner Up and Second Runner Up respectively for each grade. Trophy would go to the winner of Young Author Award.
- g) Maximum length is 500 words for juniors and 1000 words for seniors.
- h) The stories will be collected by the school from the participants and shall be handed over to us, grade wise.
- i) It is suggested that one/two teachers, category wise be assigned to coordinate with us.
- j) It is also suggested that the participants are asked to write the stories in the school itself to ensure originality of the content; however, we leave it assuming that the parents shall encourage them at home to write the original content.
- k) The judgment will be done on two tier system
 - All the stories will be judged by a panel of eminent evaluators who will send the top 100 stories to the "List of Fame". Separate evaluators for separate grades to ensure uniformity.
 - Another panel of evaluators will select the final twenty seven stories that will make it to the "Hall of Fame" and will also select the winners for each grade.
- I) The stories should be submitted by the date specified below, in A4size sheet, neatly typed in Times New Roman fonts with a font size of 12.



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- m) School with maximum participation in each category shall be awarded a trophy.
- n) Winner's Trophy shall also be awarded to the school having the maximum number of winners in the "Hall of Fame."
- o) Entries appearing in the "List Of Honor" will be invited with their parents to a special function where in the entries making to the "Hall of Fame" will be announced and will be awarded.
- p) Participation fee Rs.200/-
- q) Kindly ensure that the story is stapled with the form.
- r) LAST DATE FOR ACCEPTING STORIES FROM THE PARTICIPANTS IS 05th OCTOBER 2016

We are confident that your school shall provide us your full support in making this maiden venture of ours to boost up creative writing skills among the children and provide them a platform and exposure to rich academic book launching *(subject to point <u>e</u>)* cum award function where eminent academician and educationists of the city will be present.

