

## **Bedfordshire Speech and Drama Festival 2021**

Please find below important information regarding the video uploads for this year's Festival. **The deadline for all video uploads is March 2<sup>nd</sup>**. This allows the Speech and Drama department enough time to check all video entries and to get in touch, should any videos need to be re-filmed.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

#### **Video Entry requirements:**

- At the beginning of the video, boys must say their Name, Class Number, Class Name, Title of piece, Author/Poet. (Link to the boys' class name and number attached [here](#))
- Videos can be taken easily using a smartphone, tablet or video camera, either by setting it up on a music stand, tripod or table or having a parent, guardian or carer to hold it. At all times the camera must be static and must not move, therefore it is important to choose a good space in your house to take the video.
- Check your lighting, making sure that the boys are lit from the front.
- Please take the video in landscape format, not portrait and make sure the performance is a complete "take", not edited together from several attempts.
- The adjudicator needs to see most of the body and facial expressions.
- In Drama performances where boys are moving, please make sure that the whole body can be seen in the frame at all times.
- Please make sure that there is not any background noise in the video so that the adjudicator can clearly hear the performance.

#### **Video uploads:**

Video uploads must be submitted via the following google classroom pages by **March 2nd** (all boys have been sent a google classroom invite for their Speech and Drama teacher's page and most boys have already accepted):

##### **Mr Rawlings:**

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MjUzNjl0ODg3Njkz?cjc=uhmk2pw>

*Google Classroom code: uhmk2pw*

##### **Mrs Iversen:**

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MjUzNjl1MjkzNzU1>

*Google Classroom code: owytdme*

##### **Mrs Turton:**

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MjUzNjlxNjg3MDQx>

*Google Classroom code: mvesidw*

There is an assignment set titled: 'Video Submissions for Festival.' Boys will need to upload their videos to this assignment and NOT on the general 'stream' page.

#### **Uniform:**

Uniform is required for boys who have entered the following categories: *Prepared Reading, Verse Speaking, Shakespeare Solo, Write and Speak a poem, Religious reading and Dramatic Solo.*

Props are permitted where relevant.

**Copies of pieces:**

The festival has confirmed that you are NOT required to upload copies of the boy's pieces.

Finally, we advise using the half term as an opportunity to get your son's videos uploaded if they are ready to do so. All boys have been made aware of the above requirements and have been spoken to about their class number and class name. However, should you have any questions then please feel free to contact your son's Speech and Drama teacher on the following emails:

Mrs Turton: [pturton@bedfordschool.org.uk](mailto:pturton@bedfordschool.org.uk)

Mrs Iversen: [aiversen@bedfordschool.org.uk](mailto:aiversen@bedfordschool.org.uk)

Mr Rawlings: [srawlings@bedfordschool.org.uk](mailto:srawlings@bedfordschool.org.uk)

Many thanks.

The Speech and Drama team

Mrs Turton Mrs. Iversen and Mr Rawlings