## First Minister launches Christmas card competition

The winning card will be chosen by the First Minister and used as his official Christmas card, which will be sent across the globe to people including the Queen, the Prime Minister, High Commissioners and Ambassadors from across the world.

Children from Years 3 and 4 are being asked to submit their bilingual entries by Friday 10 November 2017.

The successful young artist will get to meet the First Minister and receive a signed, framed copy of their winning entry.

The First Minister said:

"I am calling all Wales' budding young artists to reach for their colouring pencils, crayons and felt-tip pens and design my official Christmas card.

"I look forward to seeing all the artistic contributions – I am sure they will bring me much festive cheer."

Last year's competition was won by 9 year old Travis Carter of Ysgol Gymraeg Cwmbrân, whose winning design was chosen from more than 700 entries.

Entries should be sent to:

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## Christmas card competition entry guidance

- The competition is open to all pupils in years 3 & 4 (7-9 years old) in Wales
- All entries should be to a maximum size of A4 (210mm x 297mm)
- Portrait or landscape orientation
- All entries should be "flat" no uneven surfaces, no cotton wool, glitter, etc.
- Bright, vibrant colours reproduce well.
- Dark backgrounds should be avoided.

- Any text on the artwork should be bilingual with Welsh first, followed by English.
- Please include the pupil's name age, class and school on the back of their entry.
- Please note that unfortunately we will not be able to return any entries.
- The closing date for the competition is Friday 10 November.