



Creative **A**rts in **S**chools **T**eam
Expressive Arts



ANNUAL ARGYLL & BUTE WRITING COMPETITION 2016

Inspired by ‘The Argyll Collection’
and supported by Scottish Book Trust

In 2011 CAST renovated and relaunched an important art collection held within our schools. Since then several other paintings held within the main council art collection have been renovated.

For the last 5 years there has been a successful primary writing competition using the collection as inspiration. The competition is now in its 6th year and we are delighted to announce continued support from SBT.

There will be first, second and third prizes of books for pupils. The winning pupil’s school will also receive £250 worth of books. Winning pieces will be posted online as part of the Argyll Collection website and on SAL.

This year’s theme is
‘GETTING UP TO MISCHIEF’



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The Argyll Collection Writing Competition 2016

This year we are focussing on four paintings. These paintings are held within different Scottish collections and represent children at play.

Who is the competition for?

The competition is open to all primary schools within Argyll and Bute. Entries are invited from second level pupils.

What do I have to do?

Encourage your pupils to write a piece of imaginative prose (short story) inspired by one of the paintings below (and attached as a separate file for showing on your whiteboard). Each school can submit up to 3 pieces, to be decided in any way you chose - why not run a mini competition?

Language, length and presentation

As a guideline, pieces should not significantly exceed 800 words. Less is entirely acceptable. Entries may be in English or Gaelic and can be handwritten or typed. Entries must state name, school and age.

When, where and how do I send my entries?

All entries must be submitted by 5pm Friday 7th October 2016

email to fiona.blakey@ea.argyll-bute.sch.uk

or hard copies to CAST, Oban Education Office, Dalintart Drive, Oban PA34 4EF

Entries cannot be returned and schools are advised to keep a copy of their original work.

CAST and SBT reserve the right to publish entries for publicity, promotional and educational purposes but assure individual writers that full acknowledgement and/or credit will be given to them in the event of any such use.

The winners of the competition will be decided by a panel of judges appointed by CAST. The decision of the judges will be final.

The results of the competition will be announced by Friday 4 November 2016.

For any further information please contact:

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argyllcollection.com

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'Bubbles' by Mary Baylis Barnard
Argyll and Bute Council Collection.

2



'Dressing the Doll' by Alexander Hohenlohe Burr
Argyll and Bute Council Collection.

3



'Spring' by William McTaggart
Scottish National Gallery

4



'Mischief: The Artist's Studio' by Thomas Brooks
Hospitalfield Arts, Arbroath