



# Warren Wood Primary Academy (Inclusive Provision for Language Needs)



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Dear Parents and Carers

## BBC 500 Words Competition

I am pleased to announce that the BBC 500 words competition is being run again this year.

Children across the country are invited to use their imagination and creativity skills to write their very own story. There are plenty of examples on the BBC website to inspire imaginations from previous winners. The competition is designed to be fun and the usual pressure of spelling, punctuation and grammar have been removed so that stories can be as creative as they can be.

There are two categories: 5 - 7 year olds and 8 - 11 year olds and children of all abilities are invited to participate.

All entries need to be submitted by **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023** so there is plenty of time to get creative.

Judges this year include: Frank Cottrell-Boyce, Francesca Simon, Charlie Higson, Malorie Blackman and Sir Lenny Henry.

There will be 50 finalists who will be invited to visit Buckingham Palace for a grand final.

More information can be found on the BBC website – <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/about-500-words/zctk7v4#zwv2p9q3>

This is a great opportunity for the children to join in with and I know that we have some great writers and storytellers at Warren Wood! If your child does enter the competition, I would love to know about it. Please send a copy of the story into school for us to celebrate their hard work.

Good luck!

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Miss Pettit  
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