## SEAWEEK FOR COMPETITION 2023

As an island nation we're deeply connected to the sea.

The ocean, and how it affects us or how we impact it, have been important themes in poetry overtime.

Write a poem that reflects the theme of Seaweek.

## TOI MOANA-TOI TANGATA CELEBRATING CONNECTION WITH THE SEA.

Our lives are often intertwined with the health and well-being of our ocean environments. Your poem should highlight the diverse ways we connect and interact with the sea and marine environments.



seaweek.org.nz



ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp

## **Categories:**

- Pre-school /ECE + Primary Years 1-3/4 create a collective class poem\*
- School Individual
  Years 4-6, Years 7-8,
  Years 9-10, Year 11-13
- Te Reo Years 7-13

Please submit by midnight Friday 10 March 2023 to ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp

A list of full competition rules can be found on page 2 of this flyer.

Tap into support from Write On School for Young Writers\*\*.



\*For ECE centres and Primary Year 1-3/4 you may wish to draw a picture to go with the collective poem but please do not obscure the words. \*\* Check out Write On's website; their blog has useful tips while Masterclasses will be offered during Seaweek <u>www.schoolforyoungwriters.org/blog</u>













## **COMPETITION RULES**

- 1. Entries close at midnight on Friday 10 March, 2023 & must be uploaded using ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp
- 2. Please do not write your name on the same sheet as your poems, as they will be judged anonymously.
- 3. Please enter your details including name, address, telephone number, email address, plus the title(s) of your poem(s) into the online form.
- 4. Entries should be in English or Te Reo, and must reflect the Seaweek theme. Please DO NOT illustrate your poem.
- 5. Entries must be typed in size 12, simple font, fit on a single A4 page, and be no more than 24 lines long. Submit in pdf form.
- 6. Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant & must never have been published, self-published, published on any public website or broadcast, nor placed in any other competition.
- 7. Judging will take place between 13-17 March with the winners notified shortly after. Winning entries will be displayed from the 20-27 March at a central venue (TBC) & via Facebook + Write On website. #SeaweekPoetry2023.
- 8. Entrants will also need to tick the consent box in the online entry form to give authorisation for the poem to be posted on the Facebook and websites of Seaweek, Write On School for Young Writers, and Environment Canterbury.
- 9. The competition is open to anyone except the judges, the organiser of the competition and their families.









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