



GROVE ACADEMY'S SUCCESS IN ROTARY YOUTH COMPETITIONS

Grove Academy extended its excellent reputation in Rotary Youth Competitions through their highly successful entries for this year's set challenges:

Young Artist: Theme 'Colours of Nature'

Young Writer: Theme 'The Environment'

Young Photographer: Theme 'Colours of Nature'

These competitions were organised at Local Level by our Youth Development Convenor, Rhona Duncan, with entries received from Primary and Secondary schools across Dundee. (The presentations at other schools will be featured in a subsequent mini Bulletin).

On Thursday 19 May, President Elect Peter, accompanied by Joe Dagen and David Herbert visited Grove Academy to present Certificates and Awards to the successful entrants.

In the Rotary Young Artist Intermediate Level Competition, John Paul McGraw was Grove's winner at Local Level and his entry also won First Prize at District 1010 Level. Through his District success, John Paul's submission will now go forward to the National Level Final and we wish him further success!

John Paul commented, 'I'm surprised and so thankful that I was chosen as the Local and District winner! I'm grateful for the opportunity and to receive a certificate

and prize was amazing. I look forward to purchasing some new books with my prize money!'

After the presentations, our Rotary members and Rector Graham Hutton were invited to view a display of art works, created by the pupils for the Rotary Competitions and also works submitted for Course and National Examination assessment. The examples on display were of a highly impressive standard and the pupils in the Art and Design Department have clearly enjoyed a very successful year.

Teacher of Art and Design, Amanda Speedie said, 'We are so grateful to Claverhouse Rotary Club for providing our pupils with the opportunity to get creative each year with the Young Artist, Photographer and Writer competitions. Grove Academy's Art and Design club have loved being imaginative with the themes and we've had some truly outstanding work being submitted by pupils of all ages! The pupils like that the competitions are split into age groups which allows them to compete against pupils of similar ages. We have had a brilliant time celebrating this year's success with Claverhouse members. Special thanks to President Elect Peter for presenting pupils with their certificates and prizes in the school! We look forward to challenging the pupils with next years theme!'

President Elect Peter commented, 'It was an absolute pleasure to visit the school and to present the Rotary Certificates and Prizes for such outstanding achievements. It was also great fun to meet the enthusiastic pupils and staff and to see at first hand, the excellent art work on display'.

David Herbert

Photography: Joe Dagen



Competition entrants and winners with Rector Graham Hutton on the left and Claverhouse President Elect Peter Mackay and staff members Shauna Doyle and Amanda Speedie



Staff member Amanda Speedie, Martha Robb (Young Writer Intermediate Local Level Winner), Katie Howland (Young Photographer Senior District Level Second Place), Fraser MacQueen (Young Photographer Intermediate Local Level Second Place), John Paul McGraw (Young Artist Intermediate District Level First Place), Claverhouse President Elect Peter Mackay



Art Department noticeboard displaying scaled-down versions of the Young Artist and Young Photographer submissions
The Fish painting at the top right is John Paul's entry for the National Award