

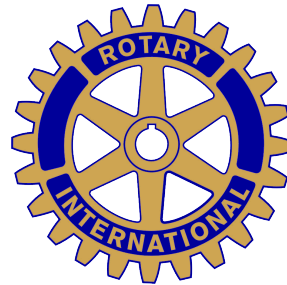
# Youth Speaks

Youth Speaks is a public speaking competition for young people. It has been successfully organized by Rotary for many years. The object is to give young people experience in speaking on a public platform, to encourage them to formulate their ideas on specific topics and to present them concisely in a limited time, together with the opportunity to learn from the performance of others' high standards of expression, presentation and appearance.

## Other Activities

Salisbury Rotary also runs the following competitions/support facilities for young people and schools:

- Youth Leadership Award
- Young Photographer
- Young Journalist
- Young Chef
- Mock Interview Support



## Rotary Club of Salisbury

Youth Opportunities Committee

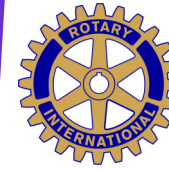
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## Competition

## About Youth Speaks

The competition aims to offer young people:

An experience of speaking on a public platform as members of a team. An incentive to formulate ideas on significant subjects.

The discipline in dealing with a topic in a limited time.

The opportunity of learning and practising high standards of expression, presentation and appearance.

The impartial criticism and assessment of performance by experienced adjudicators.



A team is composed of three young people. They are free to choose any subject approved by the organisers, with the exception of subjects directly concerning party politics, race or religion.

The Chairperson has two minutes to welcome the audience, introduce the speaker and inform the audience of the relevance or expertise of the speaker to the subject of the speech.

The Speaker has six minutes for the address and a maximum of two minutes to consider and answer a question posed by the questioner.

The Proposer of the Vote of Thanks has two minutes to propose the vote of thanks. After this and any applause, the Chairperson will close proceedings.

There are two competitions:

- **Intermediate Competition**  
for students aged 11 to 13 years (on 31<sup>st</sup> August )
- **Senior Competition**  
for students aged 14 to 17 years (on 31<sup>st</sup> August )

### Implications for National Curriculum

#### **PSHE & Citizenship –Key Stage 3 & 4**

Talk about their opinions and explain their views on issues that affect themselves and society. Research, discuss, debate topical issues, problems and events.

#### **English Key Stage 3 & 4**

Group discussion and interaction; take up and sustain different roles (chair, spokesperson) Speak with confidence, audibly and clearly. Gain and maintain interest and response of audience.

