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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The English department is continuing to run an extracurricular programme that provides a higher level of challenge and enrichment for those students who have a keen passion for English. It will also give students the opportunity to explore a range of texts, ideas and to emulate a variety of writing forms.

This opportunity is available to students in **Year 7 and 8** and will run until February half term.

This provision will commence on **Wednesday 15th November 2023** and will run as an after school session.

Our focus will be to explore a range of real-world writing opportunities, competitions and research projects that will help further develop our students' passion, critical thinking, curiosity and imaginative flair. Below is an example of some of the sessions we are looking to explore:

- Orwell Youth Prize
- Author of Tomorrow
- Rotary Youth Competitions
- Immerse research projects

The first session will be for **The Elmbridge Literary Competition**, which will revolve around writing short stories and poems about the double-edge sword of fame.

Please indicate your son or daughter's attendance using the google form link below by Monday 13th November:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1piqOizUPIF-aZcaAvW7gQC61YmO9wDU-AZCjwGANcg0/edit>

Please feel free to email me (palma.b@harriscofeacademy.co.uk) with any questions or queries about these sessions or any upcoming opportunities to raise the aspirations of our Harris Scholars.

Yours faithfully,

Harris English Team



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