

HARPENDEN & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY 2024

HARPENDEN SCHOOLS COMPETITION

Harpenden & District Local History Society are proud to announce our local history community open day on 20 April 2024. The event, open to all free of charge, will mark the official opening of our new museum and the 50th anniversary of the Society.

In addition to various exhibitions on local history of Harpenden and surrounding villages and a number of talks on topics of local history we want to **celebrate this historical event, by inviting the children of Harpenden to participate in an exciting competition to create a 'My Harpenden- A Moment in Time'**.

Who can enter?

The competition is open to all children attending a school in Harpenden, both primary and secondary in the following age groups: Reception, Years 1 and 2, Years 3 and 4, Years 5 and 6, Years 7 and 8, Years 9, 10 and 11, Years 12 and 13.

The timings

Closing date for submission of entries: Wednesday 20 March **(submit to Manland by Tuesday 19th)**

Judging: 3-4 April (dates to be finalised)

Notification to winners: 8 April by e-mail (dates to be finalised)

Presentation: We intend to have an exhibition of all entries on 20 April, so all children, parents and teachers, as well as members of the public, may enjoy the display in all its glory.

Prizes: To be presented on stage during our event on 20 April in the Eric Morecombe Centre during the afternoon

More information, as and when available: www.harpenden-history.org.uk

The concept

Harpenden has had a long and full history during its development from an iron age settlement to the town we know today. We would like the children to consider what Harpenden means to them - they may have a favourite place, activity or it may be more general with a mix of ideas. The entries may have an historical reference or may be purely concern an aspect of Harpenden today.

The categories

The children will be able to choose from the subjects listed below. It is open to each School whether or not to suggest topics to children. The entries can be created by traditional methods or using computer generated output. Children should not, however, use AI to produce entries.

Art and craft: Images on A4 or A3 sheets unframed, or a 3D model to fit on an A4 or A3 base

Photography: Images taken by participant on an A4 or A3 sheet, unframed

Writing: Up to 200 words either hand-written or printed on A4 sheets

Drama: A playlet or conversation piece lasting up to 5 minutes submitted on a memory stick

The prizes

There will be a winner, a second and third place in each age group/category. All other entries will receive a commendation certificate. The judges reserve the right to make special awards where desirable.

Winners will be acknowledged with certificates at the presentation event on 20 April.

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