



Entry is free and there are prizes in each class - and for other writing that the judge likes.

Open to **all** - individuals, schools, and other groups. Winners will be announced from 24 January and entries will be displayed in the competitions marquee on show day in August.

£10 book vouchers from Through the Wardrobe Bookshop, Mirfield, for the winners of each class.

Gift prizes will be given for the most intriguing, amusing, atmospheric, community-related and effective writing (age taken into account), as well as for the best picture from classes 5 and 6.

Poems can be as short as you wish

★ **Class 1 – Adults – poem up to 30 lines**

★ **Class 2 – Writers 15 to 17 years – poem of up to 25 lines**

★ **Class 3 – Writers 13 to 14 years of age – poem up to 20 lines**

★ **Class 4 – Writers 11 to 12 years of age – poem of up to 20 lines**

★ **Class 5 – Writers 9 to 10 years of age – poem up to 16 lines**

★ **Class 6 – Writers up to 8 years of age – poem up to 12 lines - may include a picture**

★ **Class 7 – Creatives 6 to 8 years of age – winter-time picture in any medium**

★ **Class 8 – Creatives up to 5 years of age – winter-time picture in any medium**

The competition terms and conditions are simple;

1. Legibly write or type on one side of as many sheets of paper you need. Securely attach your contact details on a separate piece of paper - your name and telephone/mobile number (an address is helpful (your school is OK)) and - if you are under 15 - your age category.
2. If you are under 18, please also provide a responsible adult's confirmation that they agree the competition terms.
3. All poems must be submitted for judging by 10th January 2025 (Acknowledgement of receipt on request).
4. Pictures for classes 7 and 8 can be any size up to A3 (30 cm x 42cm).
5. If there are fewer than five entries in a class, we reserve the right to amalgamate classes, and re-award the prizes.
6. Entries should be e-mailed to writers@mirfieldshow.com or posted to Mirfield Show Winter Poem Competition, 51 Springfield Park, Mirfield WF14 9PE, or delivered to The Mirfield Emporium, 75 Huddersfield Road, Mirfield WF14 8AT, or entered online. Look out for details of how to enter online on our Facebook page. Online may not be suitable for pictures, particularly for classes 7 and 8.
7. The judge's decision will be final.
8. We will assume you are happy to display your entry at the show, unless you tell us otherwise.