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Oropi School Inaugural Scarecrow Competition

Prizes will be awarded for:

Most Creative: most original idea for a scarecrow

Eco-Friendly: demonstrates the principle of reduce-reuse-recycle

What do we mean by Scarecrow?

A traditional scarecrow is a figure in the shape of a human, dressed in old clothes and stuffed to add volume and these were placed in fields to discourage birds from eating seeds or crops. We want to hold a Scarecrow Competition with a twist – we want you to dream up something really different – for this competition, a scarecrow doesn't have to be like the ones you see on a farm, it can be anything attached to a stake. It might be based on someone famous or a book character that you like, perhaps it could be a character from your own imagination, or maybe your scarecrow's originality will be because of what you've made it from.

Who can take part?

Anyone at Oropi School can form a team and make a scarecrow. You could form a team with your friends, your family or you could join with another family at school.

A team can be any number of people - you probably want at least 2-4 people (because there's going to be lots of work to do), but no more than 8 people (because it gets harder to organise and agree things the more people you have). In the interests of fairness, adult/family involvement is encouraged however please let the children lead the project.

When can we do this?

Calf and Pet day is on the Friday 14th October which is the first week back after the school Holidays so make it a fun project to do over the school holidays. Scarecrows need to be dropped off at school on the day of Calf Club before 9am.

Materials

Scarecrows may be subjected to rain and wind, and should be durable with everything securely attached. You can use any materials to make your scarecrow, but electricity, glass and open flames are not to be used. A wooden stake will be secured in the ground on the day - your scarecrow can be attached to this if need be.

Scarecrow Disposal

At the conclusion of the Calf and Pet day, teams are responsible for removing their scarecrow from the school grounds and making arrangements for its disposal (or otherwise).

Entry Form

Team Name _____

Team Members _____

Scarecrow Name _____

Category **Most Creative / Eco-Friendly (Please circle)**