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Dear Parents/Carers

Your children have been told today about an amazing national art competition that we are entering as a school.

Once again, the Royal mail is running a prestigious competition open to all Primary School pupils, to design the Christmas stamps for 2017. Only three times in Royal Mail's 500 year history have children's designs been used on UK Christmas stamps. In 2017, **two** stamps are going to be created from the winning designs.

The winning designs will be chosen from a panel of judges and will have to be approved by Her Majesty the Queen. They will then go on to be used for literally millions of cards during Christmas 2017!

Attached to this letter are some rules and guidelines that the children will need to follow to ensure their entry can be sent for judging. The children will also have been given the official entry form.

Apart from the prestige and thrill of having their design used as a stamp, great prizes are available to be won.

	<b>Entrant/Family</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
<b>Overall Winners x 2</b>	<b>£1,000 vouchers</b>	<b>£1,000</b>
<b>Area winners x 22</b>	<b>£500 vouchers</b>	<b>£500</b>
<b>Area Runners Up x 96</b>	<b>£100 vouchers</b>	<b>£100</b>

In order for the entries from our school to be collected and sent off to meet the national competition deadline, please ensure your child gives in their entry to their teacher by 3.20pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Kind regards

Clare Edwards  
Art Leader

