

Young Reporters for the Environment

Malta

Newsletter 03

Dear YRE members,

The second term is with us and most of the students are currently working on their projects. The number of participating schools has once again increased – your continuous support is contributing to the success of the programme!

May I remind you that the closing date for presenting your projects is **end of March**. Feel free to register and upload any finalised projects on the local website: www.yremalta.org. Late entries will not be accepted.

Participants who wish to get feedback on their projects before submission are to send them via email audreyekoskola@naturetrustmalta.org before the **end of February**. Kindly adhere to the YRE criteria: entries which do not abide by the criteria will be automatically disqualified. All the information is available on the website.

Dissemination

When submitting your projects, apart from the usual details, you will be asked to indicate in which ways the project was

disseminated. YRE international are very keen on dissemination, and schools are highly encouraged to publish or air their entries. There are several options for dissemination: newspapers, magazines, TV, radio, school website/blog, assemblies, fliers, etc. Simply indicate how you have, or intend to, disseminate the results. Publishing can take place before or after the actual submission for the competition. Always make sure to mention YRE when disseminating.

Any photos, information or leaflets related to the actual dissemination can be sent to YRE Malta and they will be eventually uploaded on the YREMalta website. Keeping in touch through sharing of good practice is a very effective way to keep the programme alive.





Facebook page

<http://www.facebook.com/YREMalta>

As already mentioned in the previous newsletter, the local facebook page is now launched and active. News and articles from local newspapers which can be very helpful to students (both as information and as ideas to work on) are constantly being uploaded. Any comments and suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

YRE in the news

The Sunday Times of Malta of Sunday, 29 January, has published an article on the YRE programme. For more information take a look at <http://www.timesofmalta.com/articles/view/20120129/education/Student-reporters-win-awards.404274>

The support and exposure given by The Sunday Times is greatly appreciated.

MTA competition

As already mentioned in Newsletter 2, the Malta Tourism Authority will, as from this year, support the YRE programme. YRE related entries will automatically participate in the MTA competition entitled: ***Let's Conserve Malta's Natural Habitat***. The prizes offered by MTA are as follows:

3 compact **digital cameras** for the best 3 entries and 3 **€50 book tokens** for the 3 runners-up.

The prizes will be presented late in May: date will be announced later on. Heartfelt thanks to the MTA for their continuous support.

YRE National Operators' Meeting

On the 18 February 2012 YRE National Operators will be meeting in Turkey to discuss the way forward for YRE. Any suggestions and complaints will be discussed and taken into consideration. Any comments from your behalf should be forwarded to YRE Malta by not later than Wednesday 15 February.

Any schools wishing to pass on any freebies / news to national operators kindly pass on ASAP. Sharing of good practices is always highly encouraged.

Good luck!

May I take this opportunity to wish all students good luck in their exams.

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