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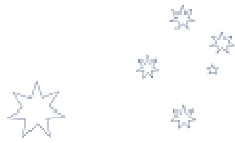
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**TO VICTORIAN COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS,
ADMINISTRATORS AND TEACHERS**

SBS National Languages Competition 20 June - 29 July 2016

Winners will be flown to Sydney in October to National Community Languages Schools Conference to receive their award

Dear Principals, Administrators and Teachers

We are writing to invite your school and your students to participate in an exciting national activity.

SBS has partnered with Community Languages Australia to launch ***the SBS National Languages Competition*** to encourage and celebrate a love of learning languages in Australia.

SBS is offering a new focus to encourage and celebrate a LOVE OF LEARNING LANGUAGE in partnership with Community Languages Australia and the Ethnic Schools Association of Victoria.

TOPIC: WHAT DOES LEARNING A LANGUAGE MEAN TO YOU

Three categories for entry:

- **Senior (ages 13-18)** – Write a maximum of 300 words in a language other than English to describe what learning this language means to you.
- **Secondary Primary (ages 8-12)** – Write a maximum of 30 words in a language other than English to describe what learning this language means to you.
- **Junior Primary (ages 4-7)** – Draw a picture to illustrate what learning a language other than English means to you.

Entries open on 20 June and close 29 July 2016

Additional information is enclosed.

Please encourage all students to take part. It will only be a success if you promote and support this great opportunity!

Stefan Romaniw OAM
Executive Director

Neda Erjaei
Project coordinator

HOW CAN I ASSIST AND PROMOTE IN MY SCHOOL
SBS National Languages Competition 20 June - 29 July 2016

1. Present the project and information to all your staff – Distribute and discuss the documents
 - SBS National Languages Competition – Directions
 - Familiarise you staff with the Terms and Conditions
 - Print attached posters and place in rooms
2. Ask classroom teachers to introduce this project to their class and explain what needs to be done
Remember there are **three categories** for entry:
3. In cooperation with your staff establish the judging panels
4. Promote the competition regularly
5. Keep to the timelines
 - Competition commences: **Monday 20 June, 2016**
 - Competition closes: **Friday 29 July, 2016 (6 weeks including holidays)**
Friday 12 August (2 weeks).
 - CLA schools judge and submit max 3 entries to selected State or Territory rep by
6. Send winning entry in each category with English translation to

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7. **How to promote:**
 - Discussion in the classroom
 - Newsletters to parents
 - Websites
 - School assemblies
 - This could be a small project for students to undertake during their school holidays
8. **Further information:**
 - www.sbs.com.au/nlc
 - www.esav.org.au
 - www.communitylanguagesaustralia.org.au
 - www.loveoflanguage.com.au
 - Facebook Community Languages Australia
9. **Contact person**
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10. **Attached**
Media Release
 - SBS National Competition Directions Sheet
 - Poster
 - Entry form
 - Terms and conditions