



Dear Key Stage 2 students,

For the third year running, the Royal Mint is holding an annual short story competition for Primary school pupils aged 8 to 11. The winner will receive £5000 for their school library and have their story professionally illustrated! To enter you need to submit a story of no more than 500 words.

The inspiration this year is the 75th anniversary of the arrival of Empire Windrush, so you need to write about the theme of Crossing Continents. The Royal Mint has, for many centuries, been a place of work for people from all over the world and, being located in London at the time, employed a number of people of Caribbean origin.

There is lots of information about the competition and how to enter, along with an inspiration section to help you think of ideas for your story on the website.

<https://www.royalmintmuseum.org.uk/learning/short-story-competition/>.

Please enter the competition online via the website. The closing date is the 31st March 2023. Please also share your entries with me, as we are also holding an in school competition where prizes can be won! Please bring us a copy of your story into school, or send it to [contact.cp@kingsacademies.uk](mailto:contact.cp@kingsacademies.uk) for us to judge. I'm looking forward to reading what you have written.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gaston