



Dear \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like my child, \_\_\_\_\_, of Class \_\_\_\_ to take part in *Red Room Poetry Object 2017*.

### What is Red Room Poetry Object?

*Red Room Poetry Object* is a poetry writing competition that invites young writers and their teachers from across Australia and New Zealand to submit poems about special and curious objects. [www.redroomcompany.org/projects/poetry-object](http://www.redroomcompany.org/projects/poetry-object)

### Who can enter?

*Poetry Object* is open to students in Years 3-10 and their teachers. The competition is open to schools and libraries in Australia and New Zealand.

### What happens to the poems?

In 2016, *Poetry Object* linked over 172 school communities and published over 3000 student and teacher poems. All poems are published on the Red Room Poetry website, with winning and highly commended poems featured on Sydney Trains, Regional Express (REX) Airways' Inflight magazine. The Prize Pool for 2016 was worth over \$10,000.

### What will it cost?

Nothing! Registration is free and teachers can enter as many student and teacher poems as they write. The learning resource is free to download from the Red Room Poetry website.

### I don't know where to begin with teaching poetry.

We have created a [learning resource](http://redroomcompany.org/projects/what-are-learning-resources/) which includes commissioned poems, reflections from poets, and curriculum-aligned activities (including NAPLAN preparation). If you need further help or are trying to implement the resource into a unique setting, you can contact us for advice. <http://redroomcompany.org/projects/what-are-learning-resources/>

### Can I get a poet to visit my class?

Yes! We can organise for a poet to visit your school to deliver workshops for your students, or NESA-approved Professional Development for your teachers. There is a cost for these. Email [education@redroomcompany.org](mailto:education@redroomcompany.org) for a quote.

### I've got more questions...

Email [poetryobject@redroomcompany.org](mailto:poetryobject@redroomcompany.org) or call us on 02 9319 5090.

Signed,

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