

These are the Terms and Conditions (“Terms”) of entry for the Competition, conducted by Hachette Aotearoa New Zealand Ltd (“Hachette”), whose registered office is at Level 2, 23 Victoria Street East, Auckland. Please read these Terms and the attached Schedule A carefully because by entering the Competition you, the “Nominator”, are deemed to accept them. For all enquiries relating to this competition please contact Hachette at: marketing@hachette.co.nz

1. Competition Period

This Competition opens on 11 February 2026 at 9.00 a.m. (NZDT) and closes on 30 March 2026 at 1.00p.m. (NZDT).

2. The Winning Class

2.1 The winner of the Competition, the “Winning Class”, will consist of up to 30 students from the nominated school as well as two adult representatives (e.g. teaching staff members).

3. The Prize

3.1 The Winning Class will receive:

- a maximum of 30 children's tickets and 2 adults' tickets to the Auckland Writers Festival Schools Day (excluding workshops) Upper Primary Schools programme on the 12 May 2026
- \$600 towards transport to and from Auckland Writers Festival
- 30 copies of The Lost Words by Kimberley Kearney and Taylor Terewai Tiave

3.2 Once the Winning Class is selected, an adult representative from the Winning Class must read and sign the terms laid out in the attached Schedule A, in order for the Prize to be allocated.

3.3 If an event that constitutes or forms part of the Prize is cancelled or if the dates for the Event are changed for any reason beyond the control of Hachette and/or any sponsor of a competition or prize, Hachette may substitute another entertainment event or any other reasonably equivalent prize, without any penalty or liability whatsoever and as it may determine in its absolute discretion.

3.4 Prizes are not transferable or exchangeable (including for cash). Part or parts of the Prize will not be substituted for other benefits or items at the request of the Winning Class.

3.5 The stated value of the Prize is based on estimated prices (including GST) at the start of the promotional period. Hachette accepts no responsibility for any change in the value of the Prize between that date and the date on which the Prize is delivered to the Winning Class or, in the case of an Event, any change in any advertised ticket price for the Event.

4. Entry into the Competition

4.1 Entry is free but the Nominator is responsible for any costs and/or charges they may incur in entering.

4.2 The Competition is not open to schools outside of the Auckland region

- employees and of Hachette and any subsidiary, parent company, agent or affiliate of Hachette, including a company or organisation that has provided a Prize for a competition or members of their immediate families

5. How to Enter

5.1 The Nominator must register their chosen school at <https://www.hachette.co.nz/whats-on/the-best-school-trip-ever-en/>

5.2 The Nominator will receive a bonus entry for answering the question 'Tell Us Why You Love to Read'

5.3 The following entries will be invalid:

- entries received outside the Competition Period;
- entries that duplicate or nearly duplicate another entry that the Nominator has submitted;
- incomplete entries;
- entries that Hachette, in its sole discretion, determines fraudulent (including entries that misrepresent the eligibility of the school or class being nominated); and

5.4 Hachette may, in its sole discretion, disqualify any entry that in its view is (or is potentially) objectionable, including (without limitation) any entry that:

- is not reasonably comprehensible;
- is obscene, defamatory, insulting, discriminatory and/or inflammatory;
- constitutes an invasion of privacy; and/or
- is generally damaging to the goodwill and/or reputation of Hachette and/or any sponsor of the Competition or Prize and/or of any Affiliate.

6. Selection and Notification of Winning Class

6.1 The Winning Class will be selected randomly from all correct, valid and eligible entries received.

6.2 All decisions of Hachette (including the selection of the Winning Class) are final and binding in all respects, and no correspondence will be entered into.

6.3 The Nominator will be contacted by 2nd April 2026.

6.4 The Prize will only be awarded subject to confirmation by Hachette that a representative from the Winning Class has agreed to these Terms, and those laid out in Schedule A.

6.5 A Prize may be forfeited (with no substitute offered) and an alternative winner selected if a representative from the Winning Class:

- does not successfully respond to notification of having won a Prize before 6th April 2026
- does not accept an element of the Prize as arranged with Hachette;
- fails to agree to and sign the attached Schedule A; or
- does not comply with any other Term of the competition.

6.6 Hachette reserves the right, in its absolute discretion but subject to relevant law, to cancel the Competition and not award any Prize if Hachette is unable to proceed with the Competition as a result of circumstances beyond its control including, without limitation, vandalism, hacking, computer virus or bugs, server breakdown, acts of terrorism, acts of God, civil unrest, strikes and power failures.

7. Warranties, limitations, releases and consents

7.1 By entering, the Nominator grants Hachette and our Affiliates an irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty-free, worldwide and transferable licence to publish the Nominator's entry and name, and the right to sub-license use of the Nominator's entry and name to Hachette's promotion partners (as applicable) for other uses, including broadcast.

7.2 The Nominator warrants that entries will be original and will not infringe any third-party intellectual property rights (including copyright and trade marks) will not breach any obligation of confidentiality, and will not contain material that is defamatory or otherwise unlawful or could give rise to legal action.

7.3 To the maximum extent permissible by law:

- Hachette takes no responsibility and makes no warranties or representations, express or implied, in relation to any Prize, including but not limited to warranties of reliability, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose;
- The Nominator and the Winning Class waive any right to claim from Hachette for any disappointment, costs, expenses, loss or damage suffered that arises out of or in connection with the possession or use of a Prize; and
- all liability for any defects whatsoever in or relating to the Prize remains with the relevant supplier or manufacturer or, in the case of an Event, the person or organisation holding or running that Event.

7.4 Hachette, any Affiliate and any operator of any social media platform through which the Competition is conducted are not and will not be responsible for any lost, late, illegible, incomplete, postage due, misdirected or mutilated mail, any electronic miscommunications or failures, technical hardware or software failures of any kind, lost or unavailable connections, or failed incomplete, garbled or delayed computer or mobile phone transmissions (or any other event outside the reasonable control of Hachette, any Affiliate or any social media platform through which the Competition is conducted) which may limit or prevent the Winning Class's ability to participate in the Competition and/or collect, receive or be notified of any Prize and/or which results in any damage to, delay of or loss of a Prize during or after delivery.

7.5 Hachette, any Affiliate and any operator of any social media platform through which the Competition is conducted will not be responsible for:

- any Prize lost, damaged or stolen in transit once it has left the possession of Hachette and/or an Affiliate; or
- any failure or inability on the part of the Winning Class to attend an Event.

8. Personal information

8.1 As part of the process of running the Competition and awarding and delivering a Prize, Hachette may collect personal information of the Nominator, including name, email address, residential address, and contact phone number/s.

8.2 Any Personal Information of the Nominator will be used by Hachette:

- for the purpose of conducting the Competition (including verifying eligibility), delivering the Prize and complying with any applicable law; but otherwise
- only in accordance with its Privacy Policy

8.3 Any request to access, update and/or correct Personal Information should be directed to Hachette by email to marketing@hachette.co.nz

9. General

9.1 The Nominator agrees:

- to comply with all reasonable conditions of use of a Prize and any reasonable requirements of any person or organisation that supplies a Prize.
- to conform to all applicable New Zealand laws and regulations; and

9.2 A failure by Hachette to enforce, or a waiver by Hachette of, any one or all of these Terms will not give rise to any claim or right of action by any person or Nominator.

9.3 These Terms constitute the entire agreement between the Nominator and Hachette and supersede and extinguish any previous agreements, arrangements and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to the competition or any other subject matter set out in these Terms.

9.4 These Terms are governed by the laws of New Zealand and are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in New Zealand.

SCHEDULE A

Upon notification from Hachette per Clause 3 of the Terms, an adult representative of the Winning Class (“Representative”, e.g. a school staff member or teacher) will review and sign the following:

1. The Representative is an authorised representative of the Winning Class, has read and agrees to the Terms in full, and is entitled to review and sign this Schedule A.
2. The Representative agrees to complete the Auckland Writers Festival school days booking form, which can be accessed here:
<https://www.writersfestival.co.nz/schools/programme/>
3. The Representative agrees to allow Hachette and our Affiliates a licence to publish the Winning School's name
4. The Winning Class (and in particular the Representative) are responsible for any:
 - a. taxes for which they may be liable as a result of winning a Prize; and
 - b. expenses not specifically mentioned as being included in the Prize (for example, unless otherwise stated to form part of the Prize, accommodation, travel expenses, food or beverages purchased and all other costs, including travel insurance, are not included in the Prize and are the responsibility of the winner/s and of any person/s accompanying the winner/s).
5. If the Prize includes travel or entry to an Event, all members of the Winning Class under the age of 18 must be accompanied on that travel or to that Event by a person authorised by each member's legal guardian. Said authorised person must be aged 18 or over. The Prize includes provision for 2 x adult tickets to the Event, for this purpose.
6. Hachette reserves the right to withhold a Prize from any Winning Class who Hachette, in its absolute discretion, determines:
 - a. has not met the criteria set out in the Terms or this Schedule A;
 - b. is not in a mental or physical condition to safely use the Prize or attend an Event; and/or
 - c. has engaged in any behaviour that jeopardises the fair and proper conduct of the Competition
7. The Representative and the Winning Class are responsible for insuring against their own losses for loss, damage or theft during transit and/or for their inability to attend an Event.
8. The Representative hereby releases Hachette, Affiliates and any social media platform through which the Competition is conducted (including all directors, officers, employees, attorneys, agents and representatives) from, and hold harmless for, any damage, injury, death, loss, claim, action, demand or other liability that may arise from:
 - a. the Winning Class's acceptance and/or use of a Prize (including any misuse or malfunction); and/or
 - b. The Winning Class's participation in this Competition and/or attendance at an Event.

Signature of Representative

Date signed

Full name of Representative