



# Competition for Schools

## Design the Bishop's Christmas Card

### Theme

Design a Christmas Card for the Bishop of Barking under the title: 'Why Christmas is special to me'. The design offered should be a child's own personal expression of what Christmas means to them. It may be traditional, modern, abstract, comical or serious. The key is that the child's self expression and creative thought is evident.

### Materials

Because the entries will have to be posted to the Bishop and reproduced in print as cards, we have offered instructions on sizes of paper and types of material to use.

- The design should be no bigger than A5 size.
- White or a pale coloured paper should be used (as the background) and the paper must not be textured.
- Paints, (oil or watercolour), crayons, pencils or felt tips may be used
- If pastels are to be used, then the design must be fixed with a suitable fixative
- Any designs that involve sticking loose bits of material, e.g. dried food or beads onto paper as a collage, will not be accepted, since they are likely to be damaged in the post and could not be reproduced in print.

### Prizes

The winning designs will be reproduced and printed as Christmas cards and both will be used by the Bishop as his official Christmas card for 2007. The winning children will receive a pack of 50 of their card designs to send to their own family and friends. Winners will also receive specially selected books and tokens, and runners up will receive book tokens.

### Publicity

By entering this competition, schools agree to organise parental permission for winning children to be involved in media publicity. This may include photography for local newspapers, radio interviews or TV filming.

The Bishop's office also plans to publish details of the winners - their name and school - along with a picture of their design, on [www.chelmsford.anglican.org](http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org). No photographs of children will be used online.

### Entry details and rules

1. The competition is open to primary schools within the Barking Episcopal Area, that is any school within the London Boroughs of Barking & Dagenham, Havering, Newham, Redbridge and Waltham Forest, or the Essex local authorities of Epping Forest, Harlow and Ongar. Any primary school located in the area listed above may enter.
2. There will be two categories for Key stage 1 and Key stage 2.

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3. To ensure proper administration of the competition, entries must be submitted via a school.
4. Children are asked to produce one design each only.
5. For each category there will be one winning design chosen and one runner up.
6. Each design must be submitted with a completed entry form. Entry forms (to be photocopied) are enclosed.
7. Each design must comply with the instructions for materials, size etc to use.
8. The closing date for entries is Friday, 9th November 2007.
9. All the entries for each school should be sent, together with the Head's contact details enclosed. Please make two separate bundles in your envelope/parcel for each age category. Entries should be sent to: Bishop David's Christmas Card Competition, c/o Barking Lodge, 35a Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, London, E17 8ES
10. Heads of schools where there is a winning entry will be informed by post and/or a phone call and a date for the prize giving will be offered. This is likely to be in early December.
11. There is no cash or other alternative to the prizes offered.



## **Judging**

A carefully selected panel of judges, chaired by the Bishop, will see all entries. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

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