



123ICT's Seasonal Greetings Competition is here!



Welcome to 123ICT's Seasonal Greetings Competition for 2021. As in previous years, we have divided this usually very popular annual challenge in to two separate competitions:

- **KS1.** To create a seasonal greetings card which could be sent out to friends or family; using graphics for the illustration and adding text to create a cheery message.
- **KS2.** Using Scratch to create an animated greetings message that could be augmented by audio.

The idea, for both competitions, is for the children to deliver a cheery seasonal message (KS1 in the form of a card, KS2 in the form of a Scratch animation) which could be used to convey seasonal greetings to friends or family.

As this is one of our 123SOW linked competitions; we will be publishing our '**123ICT Computing Champions League**' for 2021-22 and the submitting schools for each competition will be awarded the following league points:

- First Place – 60 Points
- Second Place – 40 Points
- Third Place – 20 Points

In addition, each school that enters the competition will be awarded 10 points and the first, second and third places will also receive certificates. The individual competition winner will also receive a £10.00 book token.

We will maintain and publish the league table throughout the year and at the end of the year, we will present, in addition to a Computing Champions League winners trophy, a very desirable prize to the winning school. The runner-up school will also receive an excellent prize and runners-up trophy. The prizes are currently being sought from our suppliers and full details will be announced on our competitions blog towards the middle of the academic year.

Full details about this competition, our planned schedule of competitions for the year and our new **123ICT Computing Champions League** can be found on our website computing competitions page: <https://123ict.co.uk/123ict-computing-competitions/>





KS1 Competition. KS1 children should create their seasonal greetings card using any graphics program. In addition to an illustration - which should be drawn using the graphics program and not be merely an imported image - A cheery seasonal message should be inserted as text into the illustration.

KS2 Competition. KS2 children should use Scratch to create an animated greetings message that could be augmented by audio. Whilst many examples exist on the Scratch website that may be adapted for use as entries, straight copies of these examples should not be submitted. The idea is to create an original animated cheery seasonal message.

For inspiration, previous year's entries for both competitions can be seen at: <https://123ict.co.uk/123ict-computing-competitions/computing-competitions-archive/>

Competition Guidelines

- These competitions are intended for both **Key Stage One and Two children**, including age appropriate entries from special needs schools.
- Each **123ICT** school is entitled to submit one entry per year group to each competition.
- As usual, judging of all entries for our competitions will be carried out by the **123ICT** team, calling upon any additional expertise necessary to assist in that judgement.
- The winning entries, along with all other submissions, will be published on our website <http://www.123ict.co.uk> and will also be notified to our schools during the Spring Term.
- Entries should be e-mailed as attachments to competitions@123ict.co.uk. A reply e-mail will be sent to all submitting schools to confirm receipt. If entrants do not receive a confirmation of receipt within two working days, they should check that we have actually received their submission, by sending us an email.
- **Closing date:** the end of the Autumn Term. Entries from schools that are using the **123SOW** can be submitted at any time but if they are received after the closing date for the current year, they will be entered into the following year's competition.

Should you have any further questions regarding the competition, please e-mail them to me at the above competitions address or speak to your **123ICT** Consultant who will be happy to assist you.

Good luck, I look forward to viewing your entries.

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