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Create a piece of art depicting a game or wildlife species from the British Isles
which the GWCT is or has been researching

Dear Head Teacher,

I would like to invite your pupils to participate in the 2017 Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust Primary Schools' Art Competition and I'd be delighted if you could pass this invitation onto your relevant members of staff.

The competition was initiated in 2004 and has grown considerably since then, attracting a fantastic response from local schools along with very generous support and excellent media coverage. This year we have decided to include any **game or wildlife species** relevant to the Trust's conservation work.

I am especially pleased that the Royal Highland Educational Trust in conjunction with Culfargie Estate are offering a farm visit for the overall winner (and his/her whole class!), this will be an opportunity to find out what all is happening down on the farm and to see first-hand the conservation work taking place to protect game and wildlife. Our local sculptor Julian Jardine has also once again agreed to provide a place on one of his very popular children's art workshops for the overall winner.

We will again be presenting the Michael Wolfe-Murray perpetual trophy to the overall winner and offering other prizes to all the category winners, runners-up and commended entries.

The competition is being supported by Perth and Kinross Council Education & Children's Services and is a superb opportunity for pupils to carry out some research and to find out a bit more about the UK's native wildlife – as well as being an interesting art activity. The GWCT's own website www.gwct.org.uk is a great place to start.

The competition itself invites primary school aged pupils in the region to create a piece of art depicting a 'game or wildlife species from the British Isles relevant to the Trust's work'. This could be a drawing, painting, photograph, sculpture or mosaic – whatever medium they choose. We would also ask pupils to put a note on the back of their entry a **title for their work and a brief description of why they decided to choose this particular species. Also remember to mark each entry with pupil's name, class and school.**

All category winners, runners-up and commended entrants will be invited to an official prize-giving at the AK Bell Library, Perth on Thursday, 23rd November when they will receive a certificate and various prizes. A public exhibition will be held in the Library for the remainder of the week and weekend.

Two posters advertising the competition and rules of entry are enclosed with this letter. I do hope your school will enjoy participating in this fun and educational competition and that you can help promote this initiative.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sheena Stewart".

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