

**C.J.C. is going to participate in the 123rd edition of the Berthe Mouchette Competition in 2017.  
All the Grades 3 to 6, Lote Classes and bilingual classes are participating.**



### **What is Berthe Mouchette Competition ?**

Every year for over a century, millions of young Victorians have been bringing French poetry to life in the antipodes of France. The Berthe Mouchette Competition is a unique and memorable experience for the candidates and it reinforces the vitality of French in Australia.

Berthe Mouchette 2016 : 14,000 participants, 100 schools across the state

Theme 2017 : "Les femmes"

Tribute to grand poet : Andrée Chedid

2 different level of Competition :

- Bilingual Students : Prix spécial des écoles françaises for bilingual students
- LOTE Students : Berthe Mouchette Competition

### **Competition Dates at CJC : Y3-6 : June 9**

Drawing competition for year 3 to 6 students : Due in July

Please find the poems for

- [Lote section here :](#)
- [Bilingual section here :](#)

More information on <http://www.afmelbourne.com.au/berthe-mouchette-competition/>

### **ORAL POETRY RECITAL YEARS 3 TO 10**

- Students recite one poem from a choice of four for their Year level.
- The poems **MUST** be learnt off by heart .
- The title of the poem and the name of the poet must be cited.
- The poem recited **MUST** be exactly as cited on the Alliance Française de Melbourne website.

### **DRAWING COMPETITION**

#### **J'illustre mon poème**

"Everything you can imagine is real."

Pablo Picasso

Y3 to Y6 students who are participating in the Berthe Mouchette poetry recital competition are invited to illustrate the poem chosen with a drawing expressing their vision of it.

### **How does it work?**

**Step 1.** Students are invited to produce an illustration on a one side A4 format, using coloured pencils, textas, crayons or pens only. (No paint or collage).

The title of the poem has to be indicated on the same side as the drawing. (a caption is allowed but should not exceed 5 lines).

The participant's full name should be written on the back of the drawing, together with the year level and the name of the school. Student details noted on the front of the drawing will be disqualified.

**Step 2.** Schools send the students drawings to the Alliance Française. The deadline for receipt of drawings is 1st August 2017.

**Step 3.** A jury, presided over by the director of the Alliance Française de Melbourne, and assisted whenever possible by a guest Artist, will chose the best drawings to receive a prize and be displayed on the prestigious Awards ceremony.

**So... Let your imagination run wild!**