

SCHOOLS MEDIA COMPETITION 2026

The **Columbans** are looking for students in Britain and Ireland (aged 13-18 inclusive, parental permission required) to submit an original piece of writing or an original image on the theme:

"BECOMING
A REFUGEE
IS **NEVER** A
CHOICE, BUT
HOW **WE**
RESPOND IS."

(UN Secretary-General António Guterres)

Catholic Social Teaching calls us to 'welcome the stranger'. We invite young people to explore perceptions of people seeking sanctuary, considering practical examples of welcome and solidarity.

COMPETITION LAUNCH:
21ST SEPTEMBER 2025 - WORLD PEACE DAY
DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: 14TH FEBRUARY 2026
WINNERS ANNOUNCED: 9TH MARCH 2026

More details: www.columbancompetition.com



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