

Rotary Club of Ludlow PRESS RELEASE

Clee Hill Rotakids Successful as Young Artists

Ludlow Rotary Club was delighted to learn that three of the entries by Clee Hill Community Academy RotaKids in the Rotary District 1210 (covering Shropshire, Staffordshire and the Black Country) Young Artist competition were very successful: Maisie Wilkins was Winner, James Lewis was Runner-up and Poppy Kemp-Goode was Highly Commended. Not only that, Maisie Wilkins' painting went on to the National Rotary Young Artist competition, and it is very pleasing to announce she was awarded 3rd prize. Very well done indeed, Maisie!!

Usually there is a presentation ceremony with parents, family, school and Rotarians all enthusiastically celebrating the RotaKids' achievements. In the past Ludlow Mayor Tim Gill has been present several times and in 2018 the then Shropshire High Sheriff, Rhoddy Swire, presented certificates and medals but this year, due to Covid-19, the school made the presentations to the pupils who are all leaving to start secondary school.

RotaKids is a fun and exciting way for children in the last year at Primary School to make friends and get involved with important activities in the community, all while having a great time in the process.

RotaKids clubs are based in schools or youth groups. With the help and support from teachers, youth leaders and the local Rotary Club, children can gain valuable experience in helping others and learning interesting, new things. It also brings an exciting and practical approach to supporting the citizenship element of the national curriculum.

By doing so, children enjoy a boost to their confidence and self-esteem at a key age and develop an understanding of how their actions can impact on others. If any school or youth group in the Ludlow Area is interested in creating a RotaKids Club please email secretary@ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk or visit the Club website www.ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk.





The photos show Maisie (in pink top) and Poppy (in blue top) holding the Certificates they were awarded. In the top photo Poppy is also holding James's entry.