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**2022 'Chinese Bridge'  
Mandarin Speaking Competition  
for UK Schools**

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# **Terms & Conditions**

1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2022



## Entering the Competition

1. The Competition is for UK, Channel Islands and Isle of Man secondary school, sixth form and FE college students who are non-native speaking learners of Mandarin Chinese in years 7-13 (England, Wales, Channel Islands and Isle of Man), years S1-S6 (Scotland) and years 8-14 (N. Ireland). Students in England in the equivalent of years 7-9 e.g. in preparatory or middle schools are also eligible to enter.
2. The closing date for receipt of all entries is Sunday 13 March 2022. Schools are responsible for checking the eligibility of all students. Any student or group that does not meet the entry criteria will not be offered a place at a regional heat. Entries that aren't eligible at the closing date may not be changed after the closing date.
3. By entering the Competition, the submitting member of staff agrees that the work is that of the student(s). Plagiarism will not be accepted and performances must be original. The submitting member of staff also agrees that to the best of their knowledge each student complies with the entry criteria for the particular section and category that they have entered. If it transpires within two weeks of the Finals that inaccurate information has been provided which changes a student /group's eligibility, then said student or group will be disqualified. We reserve the right to make further enquiries into the background of the candidate, if suspicions arise regarding their eligibility.
4. Each school can enter a maximum of fifteen students – only one student can be entered for each category of the Individual Language Ability section and two groups of up to five students each (one group for each level) in the Group Performance section from the same school or college.
5. All student names must be provided by the closing date. After the closing date no student name changes will be permitted for any reason to entries to the Individual Language Ability section. Between the Competition closing date and the regional heat schools that have entered an eligible group for the Group Performance section may request one substitution and/or one withdrawal, provided that the group continues to meet the eligibility criteria. No more than one substitution and/or withdrawal per group will be permitted for any reason. Between the heat and the final, requests for changes of students in the Group Performance section will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.
6. Responsibility cannot be accepted for entries that are incomplete, delivered incorrectly, corrupted or those not received for whatever reason. Evidence of entering is not proof of receipt. If the school does not receive this within 5 working days of the closing date, they must contact [MSCompetition@clecuk.org](mailto:MSCompetition@clecuk.org) immediately to check that their entry has been received.