

Local & Community History Month

2023 Terms and Conditions



About the Competition

We want your pupils to shape the articles we write this Local and Community History Month. You'll get to share your local history with every Rockerbox News reader around the world and be in with a chance of winning some great prizes too! Your 'local' history can mean where you live, or your pupils' place of birth. This is an inclusive competition and we hope that all of your pupils can participate by using one of our 5 scaffolded submission templates.

The Prizes

There are two categories for this competition;

1. Interesting people from your local area, community or place of birth
2. Unique traditions from your local area, community, or place of birth

Rockerbox News subscribing schools can send submissions for individual pupils or for a class in either or both categories. All pupils can participate, even if they do not have their own Rockerbox News account.

Non-subscribing schools are eligible to submit one entry per category, per class. This might be a whole class submission or you may have held a class vote to select an individual entry to submit.

10 finalists (5 from each category) will have their ideas featured on Rockerbox News for all of our readers around the world to enjoy.

2 winners (1 from each category) will be selected by our panel of judges to win a bundle of non-fiction history books worth £50 for your school and a Samsung Galaxy Tab A8 for their class (if the submission was for the whole class) or their home (for individual pupil submissions).

How to Enter

To enter, please use the submission templates provided. If you need to make further adjustments that allow a particular pupil to participate, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Send a photograph or scan of your completed submissions to content@myrockerbox.com before midnight on Monday 8th May 2023 with the subject line "Local and Community History Month + SCHOOL NAME".

Any entries received after this date will not be entered into the competition.

By submitting an entry, you agree to the following Terms and Conditions:

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This competition is open to any school and setting from March 24th 2023 to May 8th 2023. Please note that although we hope to receive submissions from every Rockerbox News worldwide, we can only mail physical prizes to a UK address.

In processing your entry, Rockerbox News will process your personal data in accordance with its Privacy Policy, which can be found at myrockerbox.com. Your data will then be shared with our judges for them to assess the entries. We will not share your personal details with third parties.

The 10 finalists will be chosen by the Rockerbox News team. The two winners will then be chosen by our panel of judges.

The judges' decision is final and it is a condition of entry to any competition that the entrant agrees to be bound by these rules whether they be published or not. No responsibility can be accepted for entries that have been lost or damaged in transit. No responsibility can be accepted for any technical failure or for any event that may cause the competition to be disrupted or corrupted.

Entries must be received before midnight on May 8th, 2023. Entries received after this time will not be accepted.

All finalists will be notified within 1 week after the competition closes via email to the person who submitted the entry. Winners will be notified no later than May 24th, 2023.

The finalists' entries will be published on Rockerbox News in the week starting May 29th, 2023.

Terms and Conditions (Cont.):

No cash alternative for any prizes will be offered. The winners may be asked to partake in media activity relating to the competition and will be named and credited in the published articles. By entering the competition, all entrants give permission for their ideas to be published on Rockerbox News and our other channels.

All entries will be judged on the same criteria as follows:

1. The originality and credibility of the idea. We want to share little-known histories with our readers around the world and need to know it's real!
2. Relevance to the area you live or a pupil's place of birth
3. The reason why other Rockerbox News readers should want to know about this history
4. Clarity of the information provided

Rockerbox News subscribing schools can enter one submission per pupil, per category. Non-subscribing schools are limited to entering one submission per class, per category.

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The 2023 Competition



How to plan your participation

Download the submission templates to use this as an Easter Holiday activity or do this as part of your own Local and Community History Month celebrations. The deadline for submissions is May 8th, 2023. The finalists and winners will be announced and featured on Rockerbox News prior to the end of May 2023.

In this pack you will find:

- 5 scaffolded versions of the competition instructions sheet
- 5 scaffolded submission templates
- 1 template letter to send home if you're setting this for home learning
- Search Rockerbox News for "History Month" for a list of articles your pupils can read for inspiration

You can submit entries for one or both categories, looking at people and/or traditions from your local area or community. Submissions will be judged on the originality of the ideas presented.



The 5 different templates are based on the the 5 Rockerbox News reading levels

Why you should participate?

As well as being a really fun and inclusive way to celebrate and discuss your local and community histories, participating in this competition will boost your pupils:

- Motivation and engagement with learning
- Confidence to share their thoughts and listen to those of others
- Knowledge of local history and consolidate their learning from across your history curriculum
- Global citizenship skills by reading about (and discussing) unique histories from around the world

+ lots more!

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Dear Parents and Carers,

YOUR CHILD CAN WIN A SAMSUNG GALAXY TABLET AND BE FEATURED ON ROCKERBOX NEWS!

Rockerbox News is running a competition for Local and Community History Month where our pupils have the opportunity to share our local and community history with other Rockerbox News readers around the world. There are also lots of prizes to be won.

10 finalists from across the country will have their ideas featured on Rockerbox News. Two winners will then be selected by the Rockerbox News judges to win a bundle of non-fiction history books for their school and a Samsung Galaxy Tab A8 for their home. Submissions will be judged on the originality of the ideas presented.

Your child will receive instructions on how to enter the competition from their teacher and we hope as many of our pupils as possible can be involved. We will be talking about this in school as well and your child can search "History Month" on Rockerbox News at home if they need inspiration and ideas.

Please give your child's competition entry to their teacher by _____ so they can send it to Rockerbox News on your child's behalf.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions and we wish all of our pupils the best of luck!

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How To Enter the Competition

1 Select a category

You can enter either or both categories in the competition

Category 1: Interesting people from your local area or place of birth

Category 2: Unique traditions from your local area or place of birth

2 Come up with a unique idea

Remember that we want to share histories that will amaze other Rockerbox News readers. To come up with a unique idea you could:

- Check the library for books on local history
- Ask your family or neighbours for ideas
- Search local newspapers
- Get in touch with local historical societies
- Search online with an adult

3 Fact check your idea

It's important that the history you share with us really happened. Think about ways that you can fact check this history.

- Can you find the facts in more than one place?
- Are the details consistent?
- Is there anything about the idea you need to research more?
- Is the source reliable?

4 Present your idea

Remember that we want to share histories that will amaze other Rockerbox News readers. To come up with a unique idea you could:

- Make sure all the facts you want us to know are clearly written out
- Tells us how you know this history is real and where you found the idea
- Include the most interesting bits of information
- Tell us why other readers would want to know about this person or tradition

5 Your teacher will help to submit your idea



An interesting person from my local area

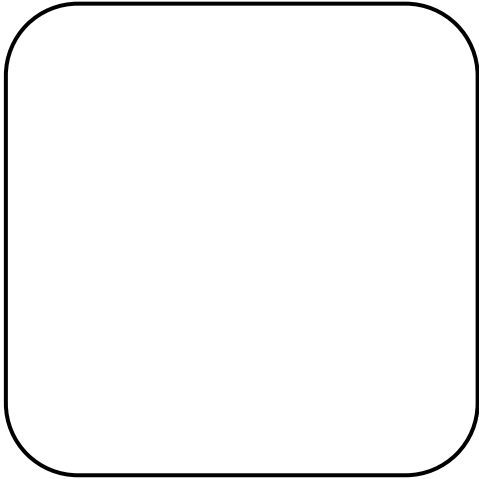
Your Name:

Your Class:

Your School:

Don't forget to include this person's

- Name
- Date of Birth (if you know it)
- Hometown
- Interesting Facts
- Your Sources





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5 Steps to Join the Contest

1 Select a category

You can enter one or both parts of the competition

1: Interesting people from your local area or place of birth

2: Unusual traditions from your local area or place of birth

2 Come up with an original idea

Remember that we want to share histories that will amaze other Rockerbox News readers. To come up with a original idea you could:

- Check the library for local history books
- Ask your family or teachers for ideas
- Look at your local newspapers
- Get in touch with local history groups
- Ask an adult to help you search the web

3 Check your facts!

It's important that the history you share with us really happened. Think about ways that you can check your facts.

- Can you find the facts in more than one place?
- Are the details consistent?
- Think about where you got the idea from. Can you trust it?
- Is there anything about the idea you need to check or learn more about?

4 Tell us your idea

Remember that we need to understand your idea and why it is cool!

- Make sure all the facts you want us to know are clearly written out
- Tells us how you know this history is real and where you found the idea
- Are the facts fun and cool?
- Why would a reader want to know more?

5 Your teacher will help to submit your idea

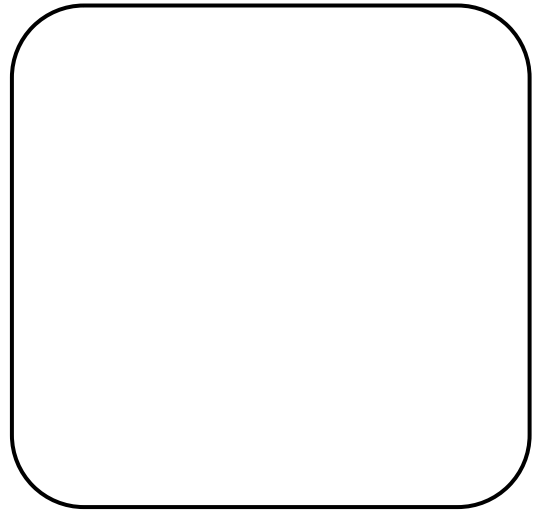


An interesting person from my local area

Your Name:

Your Class:

Your School:



This person's name is:

This person's date of birth is:

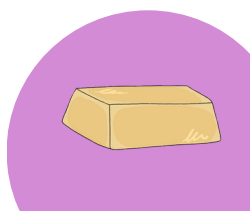
This person's place of birth is:

This person is interesting because:

2.

3.

I found this idea from:

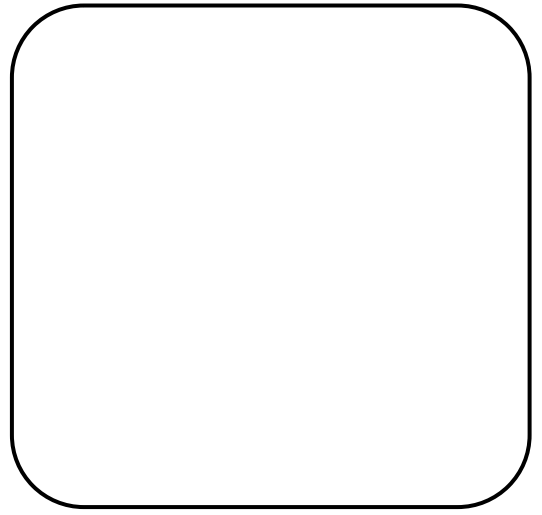


An unusual tradition from my local area

Your Name:

Your Class:

Your School:



The tradition was called:

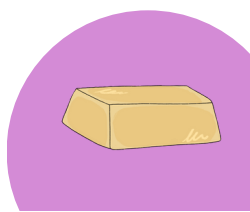
People marked this tradition by:

This tradition took place every:

This tradition first took place in:

This tradition last took place in:

I found this idea:



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5 Steps to Join the Contest

1 Pick a person or a thing that people did.

Do you want to tell us about a person?

Do you want to tell us about a thing that people did?

2 Where can you learn more?.

- Check the library
- Ask your family
- Look at a newspaper
- Talk to a history group
- Ask your teacher to help you look on the web

3 Check your facts!

- Can you trust the facts?
- Who told you the facts?
- Do other people know the facts?
- Have you seen a photo?

4 Tell us about it.

- Add all the facts
- Fill in all the gaps
- Tell us why this is fun and cool
- Tell us where you found the facts

5 Your teacher will send your work.

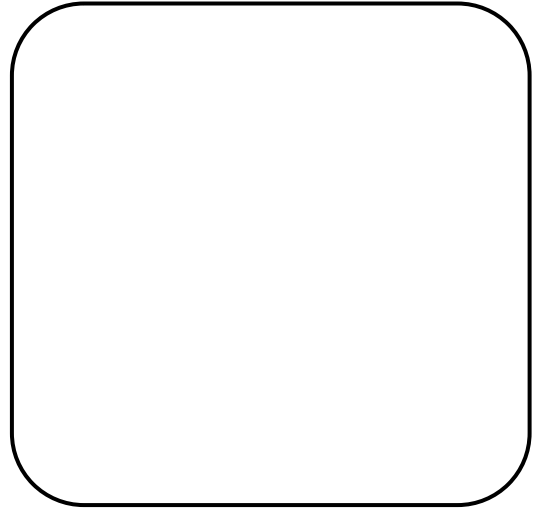


A cool person from where I live.

Your Name:

Your Class:

Your School:



I am writing about a person called _____

This person was born in the year _____

This person was born in a place called _____

The best thing this person did was _____

This person also _____

I learned about this person by _____

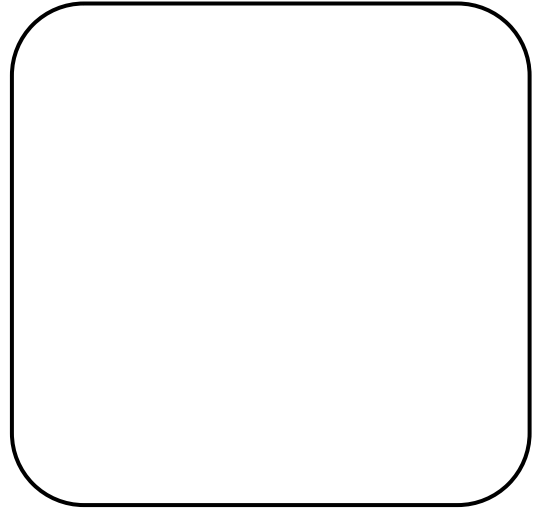


A cool thing people did where I live.

Your Name:

Your Class:

Your School:



The thing took place in

I like that

Other people will want to know that

People last did this

I learned about this by



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- 1 Pick a person.
- 2 Pick a thing that people did.
- 3 Check the facts.
- 4 Tell us the facts.
- 5 Send the note.



The person.

Your Name:

Your Class:

The person is

The person was in

The person did

The best thing is



The thing.

Your Name:

Your Class:

The thing is

The thing was in

It was

The best thing is

