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Dear Parent

As part of the May Gala, the Parents' Association has invited the Girls and Boys Junior and Infant children to take part in a range of arts and crafts competitions. The theme of this year's May Gala is 'Animal World'. There will be a varied selection of classes and the children may enter as many 'Home' categories as they wish. It is intended to be a celebration of the children's work and the partnership between home and school; entries will be displayed and prizes received at the May Gala on Saturday 18 May.

Judging of the Gala competitions will take place before it opens and will take into consideration the age of the entrant; this means that a child in Kindergarten can enter the same class as a Year 6 child and still have a good chance of winning a prize. A single class may have a number of top prizes awarded.

First Prize winners will receive a rosette, to be worn with pride. To enter a class, each child will need an entry ticket from their form teacher. **Each entry** requires a separate ticket. Tickets will be available from Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May. This ticket must be completed and attached **securely** to the front of each entry. Entries must be brought to school during the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May and no later than Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>. Cakes may be brought into school on Friday 17<sup>th</sup>.

There will be two categories of classes: those that will be exclusively undertaken at school during an Arts and Crafts afternoon prior to the Gala, and those specifically to be completed at home. The activities to be completed at home are as follows:

### **Home Competitions**

Class A	Single Photograph: of a cute and cuddly creature
Class B	Single Photograph: Funny animals
Class C	Single Photograph: Wildlife
Class D	Photo Montage (lots of animal photos in a display)
Class E	Animal face mask from a paper plate
Class F	Animal poem
Class G	Animal themed cake
Class H	Boiled egg animal
Class K	Fancy dress

Whilst we wish to encourage child and parent collaboration, the work needs, essentially, to be that of the child. Some of the class descriptions are very open-ended and designed to allow the children to use their imagination; unless specified, anything goes!

We are all very excited about this year's May Gala and hope that the children will be as keen to participate.

Good Luck!  
Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,  
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