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Dear <Principal Name>

I would like to propose that our school participate in the *Write a Book in a Day* competition run by The Kids’ Cancer Project.

*Write a Book in a Day* is a creative team writing competition for students in years 5 - 12 with some very unique aspects:

* It involves a collaborative team effort (up to 10 in a team) where students plan, write, illustrate, print and bind a book.
* Every story grows from a unique set of parameters that are given to each writing team.
* The book has to be completed within 12 hours.
* Completed books are given to kids in hospitals.

The result is hours of entertaining and inspirational reading for sick kids all around Australia. Plus, all sponsorship funds raised go toward scientific research to discover better treatments and ultimately a cure for children with cancer.

The Kids’ Cancer Project is an independent national charity supporting childhood cancer research. Since 1993, thanks to strong community support, the charity has contributed tens of millions of dollars to research projects to help children with many types of cancer.

I believe this is an important project for our school to be involved in as it:

1. Covers some curriculum outcomes
2. Provides hands-on learning experience
3. Engages students in teamwork, inclusiveness and collaboration
4. Provides an opportunity to teach empathy
5. Engages the wider community

As part of the *Write a Book in a Day* program $70 is needed to cover the cost of registration and $240 is the minimum sponsorship required.

Last year, 752 school teams participated in this competition. It is growing in popularity and I would like to add our school to that number.

Administration facts of the competition for your interest.

* The competition runs from 1 June – 31 August
* The total competition fee is $310 per team (up to 10 students per team)
* $240 of this fee supports childhood cancer research. The remaining $70 covers administration costs. Students are encouraged to fundraise.
* State awards for the best books are announced for each division, best illustrations and top fundraisers in each state and there are also national awards.

Kind regards,

<Your name>