

Christchurch Speech and Drama Competition Results 2025

Trophy/Scholarship Winners:

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) Highest Points in Classes 1,2,3 Under 8, Trophy Winner Duologue Under 16
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs): Scholarship Most Points 8 and Under 10, Most Points Poetry 8 and Under 10, Most Points Reading 8 and Under 10, Winner (with Watson) Duologue Under 16
- Aston Rideout (7yrs) Elizabeth May Trophy for the Most Outstanding Performance
- Myrto Kantzidis (7yrs) Trinity: Speech & Drama Own Selection Under 8
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) A&G Tucker Challenge Cup highest marks in prepared reading and poetry 10 and under 12yrs, Louisa Williams Challenge Cup highest points in own selection, test and light verse poem 10 and under 12yrs, Christchurch Comps Society Scholarship highest marks in test poem, own selection poem, drama and reading at sight 10 and under 12yrs
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) Trophy for Best Endeavours 10 and Under 12 and McCarroll Family Trophy for Sportsmanship
- Aaron Yu (12yrs) Stanley cup for most entertaining performance all ages, Sarah Longbottom cup for most points impromptu speech all ages
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) Highest points over all categories ages 12-14 Gay Balch Scholarship, Christchurch Competitions Society Trophy
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) Scholarship
- Sylvia James (16yrs) Christchurch competitions 16-19 yrs scholarship, Rea Family Cup, Dianne Jones Trophy with Teresa Steiner.

Religious Reading:

- Eddison Keith (12yrs) 2nd=
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 2nd=
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 3rd
- Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 3rd

Own Selection Poetry:

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) 3rd
- Aston Rideout (7yrs) 1st
- Myrto Kantzidis (7yrs) VHC
- Elara Momenan (8yrs) VHC
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st



- Olivia Han (9yrs) C
- Geneva Walker (10yrs) 2nd
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) 3rd
- Harper Keith (11yrs) C, Aaron Yu (12yrs) C
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 1st
- Louis Hyland (13yrs) VHC
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 1st
- Oliver Wallace (16yrs) VHC
- Sylvia James (16yrs) 1st
- Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 2nd

Novice Own Selection:

- Benjamin Hore (6yrs) VH
- Genevieve Foster (7yrs) C
- Zachary Hore (8yrs) VHC
- Sebastian Sweettenham (8yrs) 2nd
- Jessica Nelson (8yrs) HC
- Harriet Foster (9yrs) C
- Geneva Walker (10yrs) 2nd

Novice Test Poem:

- Benjamin Hore(6yrs) C
- Genevieve Foster (7yrs) HC
- Zachary Hore (8yrs) VHC
- Sebastian Sweettenham (8yrs) VHC
- Jessica Nelson (8yrs) 3rd
- Harriet Foster (9yrs) C

Test Poem:

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) 1st
- Aston Rideout (7yrs) 3rd, 1st
- Myrto Kantzidis (7yrs) VHC
- Elara Momenan (8yrs) VHC
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Olivia Han (9yrs) C
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st
- Aaron Yu (12yrs) 2nd
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 1st
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 2nd



• Sylvia James (16yrs) 3rd=, Teresa Steiner (16yrs) VHC

Dramatic Extract:

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) 1st
- Myrto Kantzidis (7yrs) 3rd
- Aston Rideout (7yrs) VHC
- Elara Momenan (8yrs) HC
- Jessica Nelson (8yrs) VHC
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 3rd
- Aaron Yu (12yrs) 1st
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) VHC
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 1st
- Sylvia James (16yrs) 2n
- Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 3rd

Light Verse:

- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Olivia Han (9yrs) VHC
- Geneva Walker (10yrs) 3rd
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st
- Aaron Yu (12yrs) 2nd
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 1st
- Louis Hyland (13yrs) 3rd
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 1st

Prepared Poetry:

- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) 2nd
- Eddison Keith (12yrs) 1st
- Aaron Yu (12yrs) 2nd
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) VHC
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 3rd

NZ Verse:

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) 3rd
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) 3rd



New Zealand Poetry and Prose:

- Oliver Wallace (16yrs)2nd
- Sylvia James 3rd

Prepared Reading:

- Sebastian Sweettenham (8yrs) C
- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Olivia Han (9yrs) C
- Harriet Foster (9yrs) C
- Geneva Walker (10yrs) C
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 3rd
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) C
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 1st
- Louis Hyland (13yrs) HC
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 3rd

Sight Reading:

- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 2nd
- Geneva Walker (10yrs) VHC, (10yrs) 2nd
- Alexander Swettenham (11yrs) 1st
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 2nd, E
- Eddison Keith (12yrs) VHC, Aaron Yu (12yrs) HC
- Ben McKendry (13yrs) 2nd
- Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 1st
- Sylvia James (16yrs) 2nd
- Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 3rd

Improvisation Pairs:

- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) VHC
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) 1st

Improvisation Solo:

• Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 2nd

Impromptu Speech:

• Aaron Yu (12yrs) 1st



Duologue (group acting):

- Watson Winterbourn (6yrs) and Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Sylvia James (16yrs) and Teresa Steiner (16yrs) 1st

Prepared Mime:

• Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 2nd

Prepared Speech:

• Amanda Watkins (14yrs) 1st

Original Poetry:

- Violet Winterbourn (9yrs) 1st
- Jessica Whitehead (11yrs) C