



A TOWN Council is launching a series of competitions to help children stay occupied and creative during the Coronavirus lockdown.

Rhyl Town Council will run a weekly contest around the theme #StayHome. Open to children of all ages, categories include drawing, taking photos of pets and houseplants, and penning a short story. A best rainbow picture competition will show support for the NHS.

Entries will be judged by the town mayor, Cllr Ellie Chard (pictured).

Cllr Chard said: “We know this period of lockdown is a difficult time for many and we wanted to do something to support guardians and children. We’ve chosen some simple activities children can do over the next eight weeks.

“The only condition is all of the activities have to be done at home. The theme for each is #StayHome which is the best thing we can all do at the moment.”



Winning entries will be uploaded to the town council's social media pages and website each week. Competition winners and runners-up will be invited to a special presentation evening later in the year.

“All of the winners will be given a framed certificate and invited to the town council offices to receive their awards. Obviously, at the moment we don't know when we'll be able to do this, but we hope it will give children something to look forward to,” added Cllr Chard.

The competition launches on Monday April 13 and the themes are:

1. Best drawing/picture (deadline April 20)
2. Best pet photo (deadline April 27)
3. Best indoor plant (deadline May 4)
4. Best garden (closing date May 11)
5. Best painted pebble (closing date May 18)
6. Best rainbow drawing (closing date May 25)
7. Best wildlife photo taken in own garden or from own window (closing date June 1)
8. Best short story (closing date June 8)

Parents or guardians should send a photograph of their child's entry to enquiries@rhyltowncouncil.org.uk or submit via the town council's Facebook page. Children can enter as many of the competitions as they like, but all entries need to be submitted by parents or guardians and include a name, age address, and contact details.

Cllr Chard added: “As the town council offices are closed, we can't pick up any entries posted in so we're asking people to take a photo and either email it to us or send it to us through our social media pages. We look forward to seeing what the young people of Rhyl can come up with and sharing the entries with everyone over the next few weeks.”

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