

## **Bell Burnell Society Essay Competition 2023 - Terms and Conditions**

1. The essay competition is administered and promoted by the Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society, Murray Edwards College, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge, CB3 0DF. It is not associated with or endorsed by Murray Edwards College, the University of Cambridge, or any other organisations.
2. The competition will run until the 26th July 2023, 12 noon. Late entries will not be accepted.
3. The competition is open to Sixth Form students (or equivalent) of any gender from any country.
4. Entry is limited to one essay per person. Only individual entries will be accepted. Team entries will not be accepted.
5. Answers must be between a minimum of 1,000 words and a maximum of 3,000 words, answering one of the questions stipulated. Entries must be accompanied by the entrant's full name, an email address and the applicant's school/college address.
6. Entries must be written in English.
7. Entries should be the original work of the entrant. Any form of plagiarism will result in automatic disqualification. It is the responsibility of the participant to ensure that their essay does not infringe the copyright of any third party or any other laws. Sources should be referenced using a standard referencing system. References should include author, title of publication, publisher (if available), date(if available) and internet URL/book ISBN (if appropriate).
8. Entries which do not match all of the above criteria will not be read.
9. Entries will not be returned to entrants and feedback will not be given.
10. The competition will be judged by the members of the Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society committee and any others they invite to assist with judging. The judges' decision is final and not subject to appeal. No correspondence will be entered into.
11. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves the right to replace these prizes with those of equal or greater value or to award fewer prizes if insufficient deserving entries are received.
12. Entrants retain all rights to their entries. However, entering the competition implies accepting that the Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society retains unlimited, non-exclusive rights to reproduction without further compensation. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society may publish the winning entries in newsletters, magazines or internet websites, or elsewhere at their discretion. There is no guarantee that essays will be published.
13. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves the right, at their sole and absolute discretion, to publish the names and other information about participants without obtaining further consent from the participant or providing any payment whatsoever to the participant for any commercial or non-commercial endeavours, publicity, advertising, trade or promotion in perpetuity.
14. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves the right to modify the format of essays for publication purposes.

15. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society will not be responsible or liable for any problem, loss or damage of whatsoever nature suffered by any party due to any delay and/or failure in submitting entries to the competition.
16. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society will not be responsible or liable for any costs, problems, damage or loss of whatsoever nature to the participants resulting from their participation in the competition.
17. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves the right to disqualify any participant that they determine is submitting material that is deemed to be offensive or may infringe copyright legislation.
18. By entering, the entrants, including the winner, agree to allow the free use of their names, photographs, school and general locations for publicity and news purposes during and after this competition.
19. Uses of personal data received by the Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society in the course of the competition are subject to current UK data protection legislation. The winners' names may be published on the website or elsewhere at the Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society's discretion.
20. Entry into the competition is deemed an acceptance of these terms and conditions.
21. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves the right at any time to cancel, modify or supersede the competition (including altering the prize), if, in their sole discretion, the competition is not capable of being conducted as specified. The Murray Edwards College Bell Burnell Society reserves in their absolute discretion the right to substitute a prize of equal or greater value in the event that circumstances beyond their control make this unavoidable.