

Republic of the Philippines
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS
(MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS)
Manila

February 21, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE
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WORLD POETRY AND CHILDHOOD DAY

To: Regional Directors
City/Local Directors
School Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. The International Biennials of Poetry in Knokke, Belgium is sponsoring a World Day of Poetry and Childhood on March 21, 1984 with the aim of stimulating greater awareness among families and educators of all the educational, cultural, therapeutic and liberating virtues of poetry.

2. In this connection, elementary schools are invited to hold a poem writing contest on the theme "Let's Build a World Without Fear" on the division and regional levels. Each region is requested to send its two best entries to the office/address below not later than April 6, 1984.

Poem Writing Contest
Curriculum Development Division
Bureau of Elementary Education
Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports
Anacortes, Manila

Twenty of these poems will be chosen for display at the International Day of Poetry of Knokke, Belgium in September 1984, after which the exhibition will go on tour.

3. It is suggested that March 21, 1984 be observed as World Poetry Childhood Day in all schools to make children aware of their participation in a worldwide act.

4. It is desired that the contents of this Memorandum be given wide publicity for optimum participation.

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Minister

Reference: None

Attachment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

CONTEST

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