



REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SPORT AND YOUTH



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Award Ceremony of the Children’s Literature Competition “The Inspired Journey of the Moomins and Pippi”

The award ceremony of the school competition “*The Inspired Journey of the Moomins and Pippi*” was successfully held on 26 May 2026 at the Residence of the Ambassador of Sweden, H.E. Martin Hagström, in Nicosia, in the framework of the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the European Union, in the presence of Dr Athena Michaelidou, Minister of Education, Sport and Youth,.

The event was also attended by the Ambassador and Finland Mrs Päivi Peltokoski, the Commissioner for Children’s Rights, Ms Elena Perikleous, officials of the Ministry, the President and members of the Cyprus Section of the International Board of Books for Young People (IBBY-Cyprus), as well as teachers and parents.

A total of 37 students from twelve schools across Cyprus were awarded in the context of the competition, highlighting creativity and the core values of children’s literature.

Awarded Schools

The twelve schools that received distinctions are:

- Agrokipia Primary School
- Akaki Primary School
- GC School of Careers
- Kato Pyrgos Tillirias Primary School
- Kissonerga Primary School
- Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Mathiatis Primary School
- Mammari Primary School
- Trimiklini Primary School
- D’ Primary School of Aglantzia
- St’ Primary School of Aglantzia
- St’ Primary School of Lakatamia

Each school was awarded a furnished reading corner, provided by the Swedish company IKEA.

List of Awarded Students by Category

Individual Writing

- Andreas Loizou – Akaki Primary School
- Antia Michaelidou – Mammari Primary School
- Panayiotis Miltiadou – St’ Primary School of Lakatamia
- Marios Pafitis – D’ Primary School of Aglantzia
- Malvina Panayiotou – Agrokipia Primary School

Group Writing

- Christina Aristeidou – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Andriana Vorka – Akaki Primary School
- Andrea Voskos – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Maria Zonia – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Eleni Zouppouri – Akaki Primary School
- Veronica Heracleous – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Achilleas Kampanis – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Elisavet Katopodi – GC School of Careers
- Eva Constantinou – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Andreas Loizou – Akaki Primary School
- Anastasia Meletiou – GC School of Careers
- Georgiana Daniil – Konstantinoupoleos Primary School
- Styliani Rodosthenous – Akaki Primary School
- Christoforos Loukas Christodoulou – Akaki Primary School

Individual Visual Art

- Michail Angelos Vasileiou – Kissonerga Primary School
- Maximos Liolios – Mammari Primary School
- Maria Melidou – St' Primary School of Aglantzia
- Christos Pafitis – D' Primary School of Aglantzia

Group Visual Art

- Theofanis Agapiou – Kato Pyrgos Tillirias Primary School
- Asil Alqaraazeh – Agrokipia Primary School
- Dimitriana Yiannakou – Agrokipia Primary School
- Charalambos Loizou – Mathiatis Primary School
- Keith Loukas Matthaïou – Trimiklini Primary School
- Irida Mochianaki – Mathiatis Primary School
- Odysseas Mochianakis – Mathiatis Primary School
- Panagia Nicolaou – Trimiklini Primary School
- Maria Stylianou – Kato Pyrgos Tillirias Primary School
- Andreas Tsiatsios – Mathiatis Primary School
- Christos Charalambous – Agrokipia Primary School
- Michalis Chiotis – Mathiatis Primary School

- Christia Christofidou – Agrokipia Primary School
- Ellada-Maria Chrysostomidou – Kato Pyrgos Tillirias Primary School

Each student was presented with a diploma indicating the category in which they were recognized for their outstanding achievement.

The Minister warmly congratulated all students and teachers for their achievements, underlining the importance of such initiatives in fostering creativity and a love of reading.



