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To: All Heads of Primary and Secondary Schools (State and Non-State) and Sections

From: Director, Curriculum Management and eLearning

Subject: eTwinning Video Competition

The Maltese eTwinning National Support Service is organising a competition aimed at classes who are currently engaged in eTwinning or similar Life Long Program collaborative projects and initiatives. Students, together with their teachers who are participating in such projects are invited to create a short video to present their projects, or eTwinning activities, to others.

Students are encouraged to work together as a group and not submit individual entries. There are three categories in this competition: Students 3-7 Years, Students 8-11 Years and Students 12-16 Years. Participating **student groups** will receive eTwinning tokens from the eTwinning National Support Service.

One winning entry from each category will be selected, and will receive the following prizes for the **school**:

- Category Students 3-7 Years: Easi-Scope Microscope
- Category Students 8-11 Years: Video Conferencing Kit consisting of Logitech 1.3 MP Camera and Speedlink Microphone
- Category Students 12-16 Years: Sony Digital Dictaphone

With the schools' consent, eligible entries will also be uploaded on the eTwinning National Blog, <http://etwinning.skola.edu.mt> and on eTwinning Malta's official You Tube Channel, <http://www.youtube.com/user/etwinningtv>.

Competition Guidelines

1. The best entry will be selected from each category, that is, Students 3-7 Years, Students 8-11 Years and Students 12-16 Years. All participating students will receive tokens of participation from the eTwinning National Support Service. Prizes for the best entries will be awarded **to the school for the use of all students/teachers engaging in project work**. Students are encouraged to work in groups and not submit individual entries.

2. Theme: Students are encouraged to create a short (2-5 minute) video. The video can depict activities carried out during the course of a project, show students at work, etc. Students are also encouraged to explain the rationale behind the video by filming a short introductory clip at the beginning, to illustrate the activity that will follow.
3. The video may be edited using any commercially available video editing software, such as Movie Maker, iMovie, Pinnacle Video Spin, etc. Any video camera or photo camera with video functionality, or smartphone/tablet may be used. Tuff Cams can also be used by younger students.
4. Entries may be submitted via the following formats: Link to online repository such as YouTube, Vimeo and TeacherTube; via a link on file sharing sites such as Dropbox; or via email on eTwinning Malta's Gmail account, etwinningmalta@gmail.com. The eTwinning National Support Service will confirm receipt via email upon receiving entries.
5. If video is deemed too large to send over the Internet, a digital copy may be sent by hand to the eTwinning National Support Service on a pendrive or CD.
6. The deadline for this competition is **Friday 3rd May 2013**. It is strongly recommended that the National Support Service is contacted to ensure that entries, both via email or by hand, reach our offices within the stipulated deadline.

For further information about this competition kindly contact Ms. Amanda Debattista or Ms. Jacqueline Frendo at Malta's eTwinning National Support Service on 2598 2150 or by email at etwinning@ilearn.edu.mt.

Thank you for your attention.

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