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## PRESS RELEASE

### Tattenhall pupils win writing competition

Youngsters at Tattenhall Park Primary School have been celebrating their success as published writers. Articles by Year 6 pupils won prizes in the Campaign to Protect Rural England's [1] annual writing competition, and the work of two pupils has been published in the latest edition of Cheshire Life magazine.

The competition, run by the countryside campaigners and sponsored by Cheshire Life [2], asked entrants to write about their favourite Cheshire landscape, and how they would feel if it was ever under threat.

"The children from this school clearly showed they are very talented young writers," said Clare Lewis, Cheshire CPRE's Press and Membership Officer, "The judges - Lord Grey of Codnor, President of Cheshire CPRE, Andrew Miller, MP for Ellesmere Port and Neston, and Cheshire Life editor Patrick O'Neill - were very impressed that young people care so much about the local places they visit."

Eleven-year-old Ayesha Kewley won first place in the 9 -11 section of the competition, for her article on Beeston Castle; Olwen Marshall (10) was Highly Commended for a piece on Millbrook Stream, and ten-year-old Felix Morriss was awarded a Certificate of Merit for his item on Delamere Forest. [3]

Certificates were presented to the winners at a school assembly by Clare Lewis, who co-ordinates the competition. Year 6 teacher Mr Holmes and all of the staff are justly proud of their pupils, all of whom scored very highly in the competition.

The 2007 competition, open to adults and children of all ages, will be launched during CPRE's Great Landscapes Week at the end of June. For more information about how to enter, call CPRE Cheshire's Branch Office on 01606 835046, or visit the charity's website at [www.cprecheshire.org.uk](http://www.cprecheshire.org.uk).

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Notes for editors:

[1] The Campaign to Protect Rural England ( CPRE) exists to promote the beauty, tranquillity and diversity of rural England by encouraging the sustainable use of land and other natural resources in town and country. For more information and archive of press releases see the CPRE Cheshire website at [www.cprecheshire.org.uk](http://www.cprecheshire.org.uk) and the national CPRE website at [www.cpre.org.uk](http://www.cpre.org.uk)

[2] The Cheshire Life-sponsored competition, now in its fifth successful year, is launched in CPRE's annual Great Landscapes Week, in late June, and aims to encourage Cheshire residents of all ages to value their countryside.

[3] The school has sought parental permission for publication of children's names and inclusion in a group photograph.

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**The winning articles (word limit for competition is 250)****Ayesha Kewley – 9-11 Winner**

**Beeston Castle** – There's no doubt about it, my most treasured place has to be Beeston Castle. Beeston Castle is one of the only places I can think of that is not surrounded by factories. When I am in Beeston Castle, it feels like the remaining parts of the historical ruins are repairing themselves. When I stand still and close my eyes, I can smell the countryside aroma, and the sweet sent of flowers filling the air. The thing I like about Beeston Castle is that it is so quiet around, so I have time to think about things I didn't have time to think about before. Slowly, I like to take a walk after having a think, I like to experience how hard it must have been to trek up those high hills again and again. But the best part of the whole castle has to be the view. You can see it right at the top – it is beautiful, you can see the lush green trees and the golden corn fields, it is all right before your eyes. That is why Beeston Castle is my most treasured place in Cheshire.

**Olwen Marshall – 9-11 Highly Commended**

**Millbrook Stream** – A place which makes me feel safe. A place which makes me feel free. A place which makes me feel secure is the field behind my house. A stream running alongside, and birds chanting words from an ancient language that people have never spoken is enough to make anyone believe their in a different world. The lush green grass clothes the field, and then a blanket of dew covers it. A lake to a caterpillar, a puddle to an elephant and a stream to you and me. My favourite place just has to be that place of rest by the stream.

**Felix Morriss - 9-11 Certificate of Merit**

**Delamere Forest** – If you haven't been to Delamere Forest than you must go, as it is undoubtedly the bet place in Cheshire. The thrill of the wind through your hair, as you cycle through the forest, truly is exhilarating. The sweet aroma of the countryside air is truly heavenly, combined with the beautiful sound of the birds singing. The view of the lake, situated in the heart of the forest, is like a shining pool of light amongst a vast ocean of trees. Delamere Forest is a special place to me as it is a place I can just sit down and think about things peacefully while listening to the sounds of the forest. It only holds happy memories for me, so it is a place I always look forward and remember going to. The best think about Delamere Forest is that it is good exercise walking around the forest and it makes me feel fantastic. So Delamere Forest is definitely the best place to be. .