

EVERYTHING  
IS INTERESTING  
MIND & BODY EXPLORATIONS  
TO LIVEN UP THE WEEK

Spring Term 2021 WEEK 2



Hello Parents and Children,

This edition of Everything is Interesting is focussed on

## PHOTOGRAPHY

LOOK, THINK and CREATE by learning about exhibitions, instruction videos and much more.

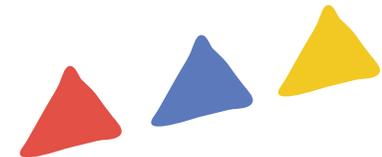
Look out for the exciting new whole school photographic competition.  
**All Things Bright & Beautiful**

Thank you  
Mrs Davies

Make sure you upload any photos or videos on your class dojo or email your teachers. We love to see your efforts!

### How to Explore

1. Explore in any order
2. All are open to interpretation
3. Feel free to add alter or ignore
4. There are no rules, merely suggestions
5. Treat everything as an experiment
6. Start with whatever gives you the most excitement



# Why photography?

With all the developments in technology, the advent of specially designed cameras for children and the fact that many of us have a camera in our pocket at all times in the form of a smartphone, it has never been easier or cheaper for children to get involved in photography.

Photography for children can develop their learning across the curriculum and enable them to build an understanding of themselves, others and the world around them.

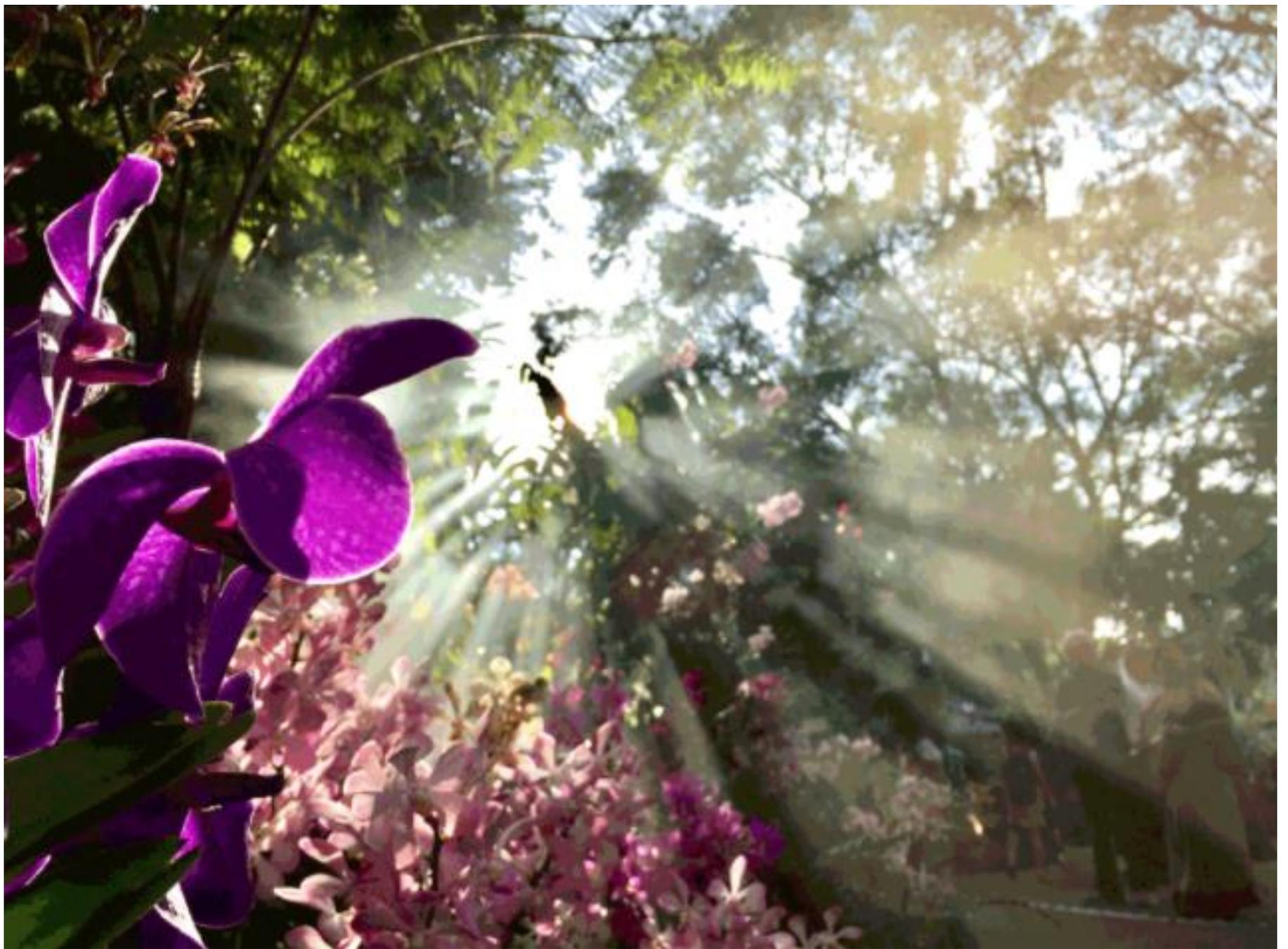
## What are the educational benefits of photography for children?

Photography for children offers a range of exciting and valuable learning experiences, not to mention some great experiences. The benefits include:

- learning a new skill, which can boost children's self esteem
- encouraging planning and presentation skills
- allowing children to display their potential through creativity
- providing children with the opportunity to be innovative
- giving children the opportunity to communicate their ideas, thoughts and feelings
- stimulating children to develop their own ideas on design

# WARNING! WARNING! WARNING!

- GET READY TO BE AMAZED!
- THE NEXT 5 PHOTOS THAT YOU ARE ABOUT TO VIEW IN THIS EDITION OF **EVERYTHING IS INTERESTING** HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY CHILDREN **UNDER THE AGE OF 11!**
- NB: IT IS NECESSARY VIEWING FOR EVERYONE, INCLUDING ADULTS!











# How far away is too far to take a photograph?

REACH FOR THE STARS- photographers focusing on the wonders of outer space:

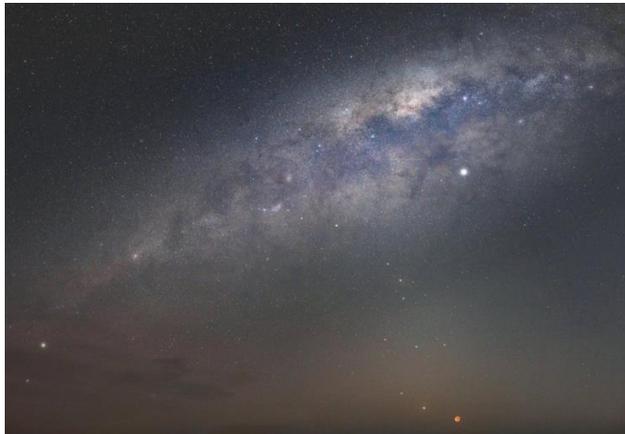
## Nicolas Lefaudeux

- Astronomy Photographer of the Year 2020: Andromeda Galaxy image wins top prize.
- Nicolas Lefaudeux has been named overall winner of the Insight Investment Astronomy Photographer of the Year 2020, for his image of the Andromeda Galaxy.
- **"To most of us, our closest neighbouring galaxy Andromeda can also feel so distanced and out of reach, yet to create a photograph that gives us the impression that it is just within our physical reach is truly magical, and somewhat appropriate as we adjust after such socially distanced times,"** said competition judge Ed Robinson.



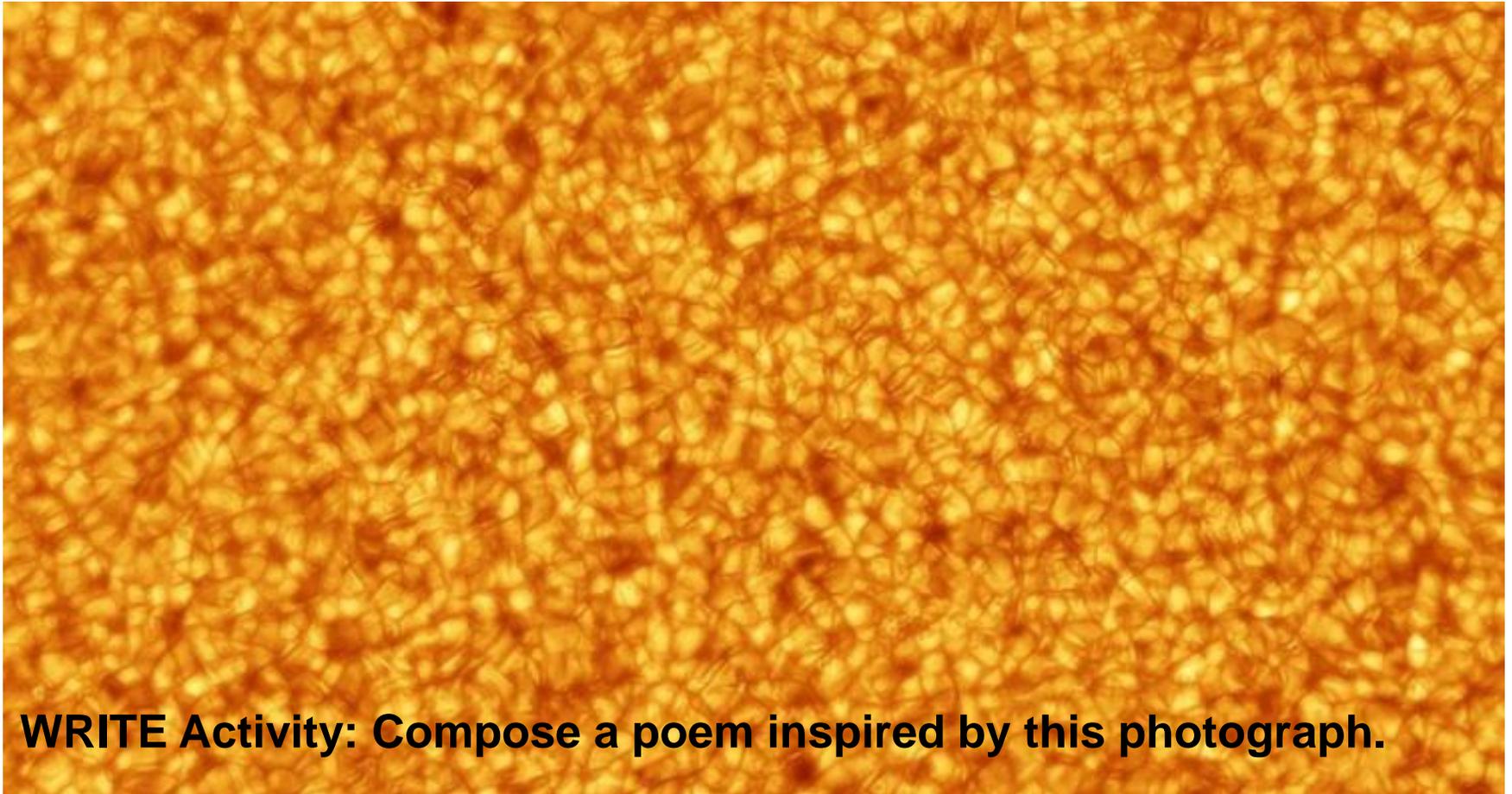
In order to obtain the tilt-shift effect, the French photographer used a **3D printer** to create a device that held the camera at an angle to the telescope. The blur seen at the edges gives the illusion of closeness, when **in reality the galaxy is two million light years away.**

Here are some of the other winning photos of stars, nebulae, moons, planets and night skies



**TALK ACTIVITY:** Which one is your **favourite** photo? Why? Use interesting words to describe colour, shape, movement and pattern. Does it remind you of something else? Would you like to travel to one of these places? What do you think it would be like there? Hot, cold, windy, noisy, quiet etc? If you would like to see or learn more go to the Royal Museums Greenwich site: <https://www.rmg.co.uk/whats->

Ever wondered what the sun would look like close up? Well a photographer from the UK has captured: LIQUID SUNSHINE



**WRITE Activity: Compose a poem inspired by this photograph.**

A photo of the Finnish Landscape with polar stratospheric clouds.  
Can you spot the Moomins?!

**CREATE Activity:** Perhaps you would like to print this photo and draw the Moomins in their habitat?



CLOSE UP: How do we know what snowflakes look like?



# The First Photographs of Snowflakes: discover the ground-breaking microphotography of **Wilson “Snowflake” Bentley**

- The Vermont farmer, self-educated naturalist, and avid photographer, was the first person to offer the following wisdom on the record, then illustrate it with hundreds upon hundreds of pictures of snowflakes, 5,000 in all:

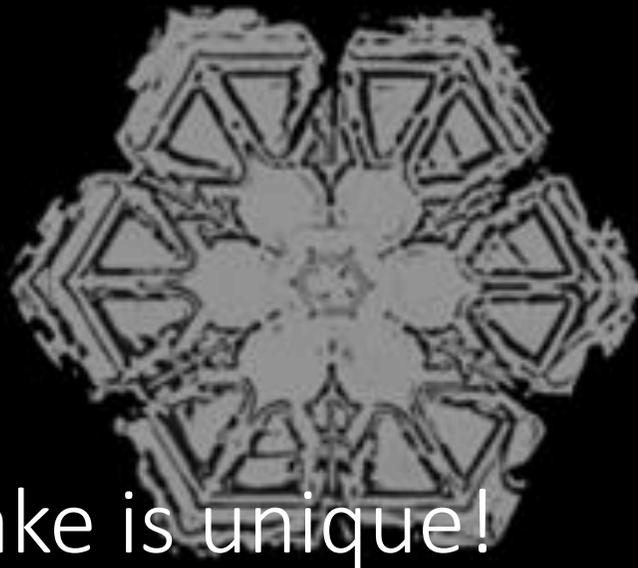
*I found that snowflakes were miracles of beauty; and it seemed a shame that this beauty should not be seen and appreciated by others. Every crystal was a masterpiece of design and no one design was ever repeated. When a snowflake melted, that design was forever lost. Just that much beauty was gone, without leaving any record behind.*

*KS2 Look activity:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=ptLmA263hlk>

*EY,KS1 and KS2 Listen Activity:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rtyLpo3cWic>



Every snowflake is unique!



• [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x8HYqUjbKeM&list=RDx8HYqUjbKeM&start\\_radio=1&t=0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x8HYqUjbKeM&list=RDx8HYqUjbKeM&start_radio=1&t=0)

# Artistic composition, technical innovation and truthful interpretation of the natural world.

LOOK Activity: View the Wildlife Photographer of the Year images from the current and previous years' competitions: <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/wpy/gallery>



What do these words mean?

- **Composition**
- **Innovation**
- **Interpretation**

Q: Are these ideas important to you when you take a photograph?



CAPTIONS THAT  
CAPTURE  
**THINK activity:**  
Look at the next  
5 photographs  
and think of your  
own title or  
caption.









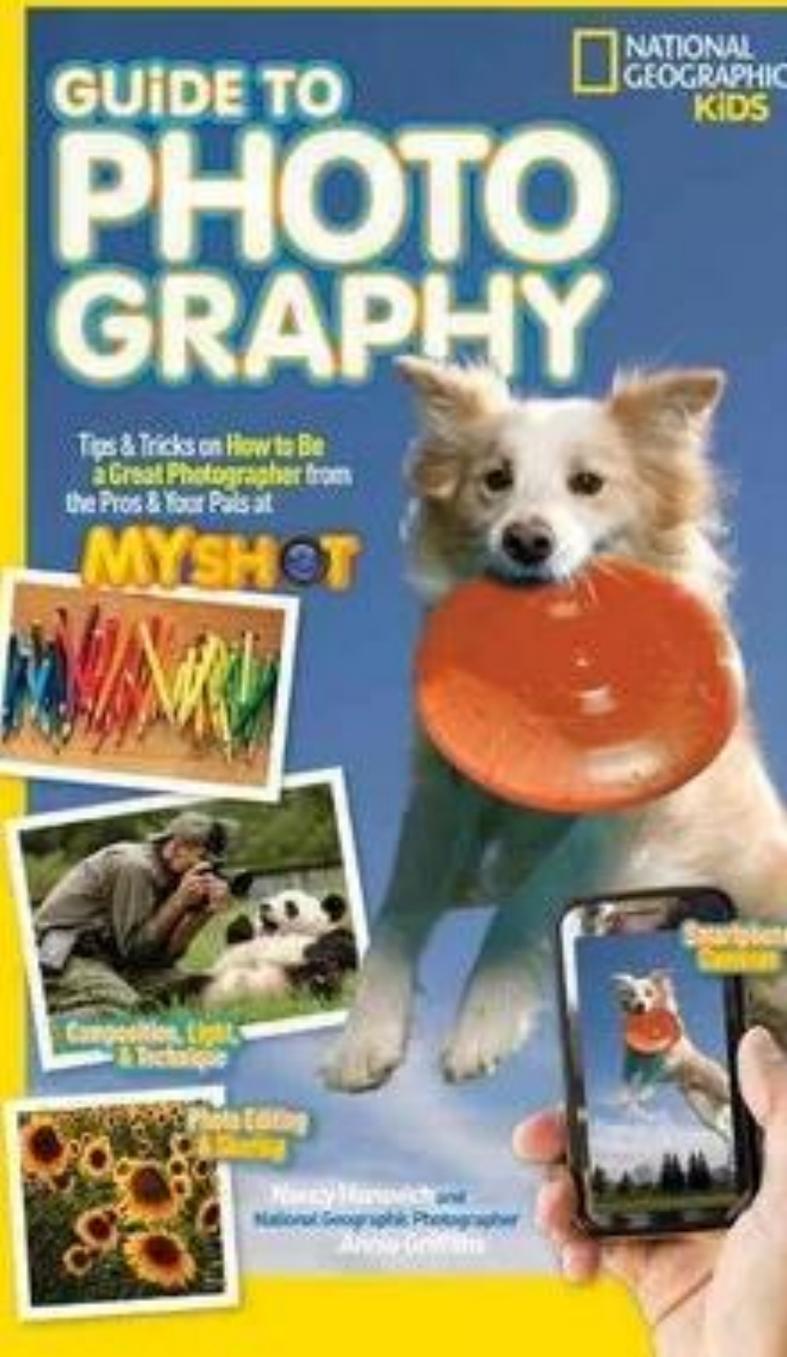




# The Royal Photographic Society: Grounded 2020

- The competition was open last summer to children ages 7-16.
- Sharp shots teamed up with The Royal Photographic Society and Nikon School
- **LOOK activity:** watch the short film to see some of the winning shots:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r5OTTqrnhw&list=PL0JIPTs699Py8y8n8GVLdBgpw-NuK8TO&index=>
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## Would you like to read and learn more? National Geographic Kids Guide to Photography: Tips & Tricks on How to be a Great Photographer

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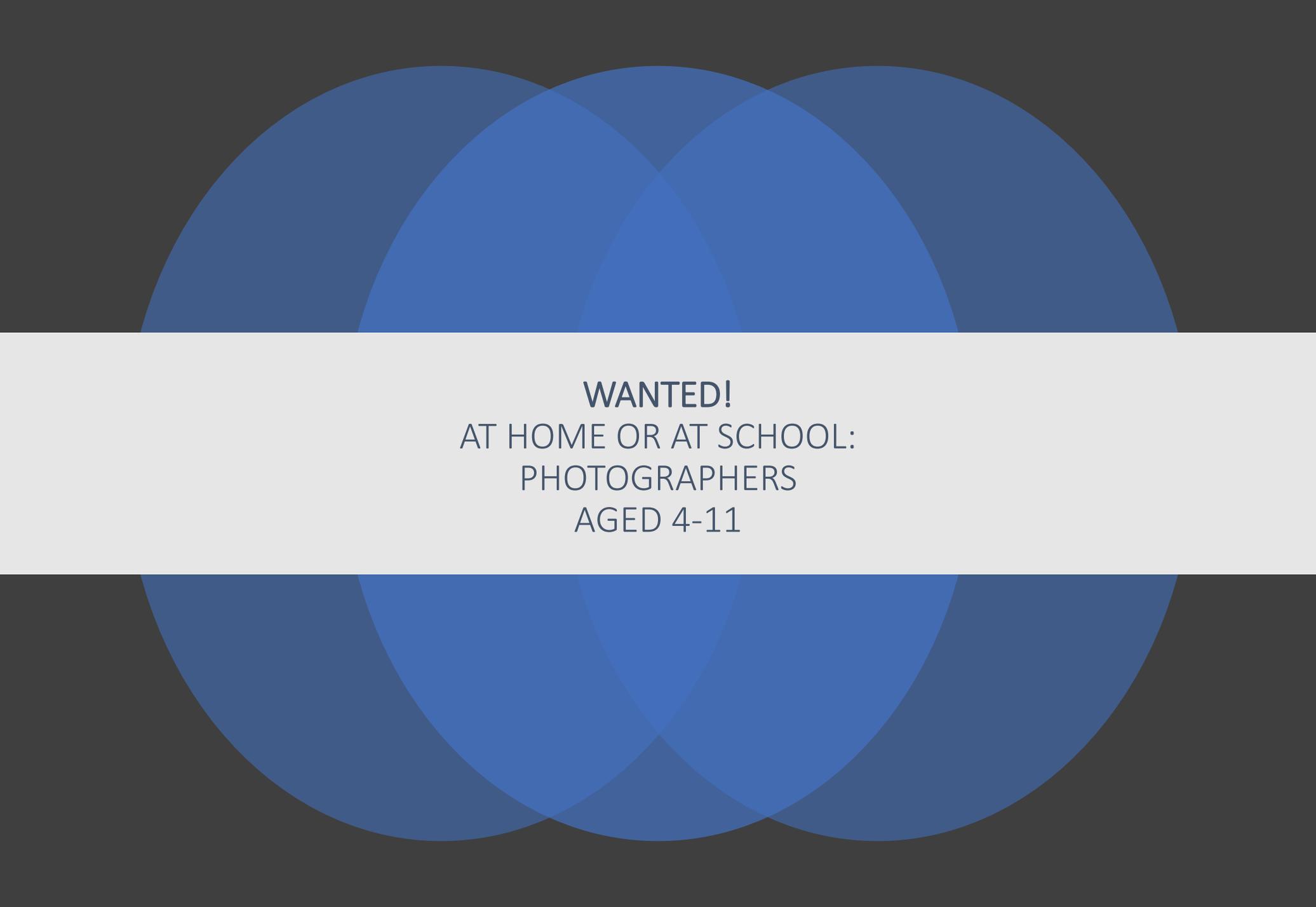
- In the age of smartphones and selfies, why not learn from the pros how to take great photos to share with friends and family! Here's a fun, fact-filled, kid-friendly guide that is jam-packed with all the essentials for budding photographers.
- From how to **set up a shot and stage the lighting** and from the **best software** to short assignments, you'll learn all the **important photographic concepts and basics of equipment, lighting aperture, lenses, depth of field, and more.**
- This wide-ranging book also has sections devoted to **composition and photographing different subjects (animals, people, sports, landscapes)**. Before and after shots offer visual explanations while tips and photographs from National Geographic photographers are featured throughout, making this the best photography guide out there today for children (and adult beginners too!).



SHARPSHOTS ONLINE  
PHOTO CLUB  
Look out for their  
free videos on  
YOUTUBE

Learn how to take photos of:

- Nature :  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a8mmrS14Dg8&list=PL0JIPTs699Py8y8n8GVLdBgpw-NuK8TO>
- Perspective:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c0w0KMryl3E>
- Colour: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-I3vL47qkDo>
- Rule of third:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Bvfqwq22jl>
- Close ups:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTkx63c\\_QiQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTkx63c_QiQ)
- AND MANY MORE! Get learning to be a better photographer today.....



**WANTED!**  
AT HOME OR AT SCHOOL:  
PHOTOGRAPHERS  
AGED 4-11

**Christ Church & Hbly Trinity School children have already proved that they are talented photographers!**

**The theme of last term's ART WEEK was LONDON LIVING LANDSCAPES.**

**During this week children took photographs on their class trip to London parks and gardens. All the teachers and adults were so IMPRESSED by the images they took to capture the nature, people and sense of place.**

**Now is your chance to show us your skills and talents again by entering our Christ church & Hbly Trinity School photography exhibition:**

**ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL**

## What does the theme *All Things Bright and Beautiful* mean?

You can interpret it how you want to but the definitions below may help:

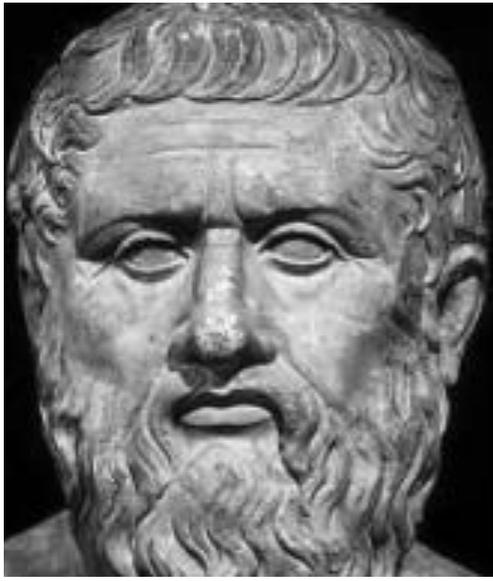
### **Beautiful**(adjective)

Meaning: *pleasing the senses or mind aesthetically.*

### **Bright** (adjective)

Meanings:

- *giving out or reflecting much light; shining*
- *full of light*
- *(of colour) vivid and bold*
- *(of sound) clear, vibrant, and typically high-pitched.*
- *intelligent and quick-witted*
- *cheerful and lively.*



Beauty lies in the eyes of the  
beholder.

— *Plato* —



Beauty is bought by judgement  
of the eye.

~ William Shakespeare

# Competition Rules:

- Open to all CCHT children. Ages: 4-11 years
- Only submit 1 photograph to the competition (you can take as many as you like but just select one for the competition)
- Remember to give details of your: full name, age, class, school and the title of your photo
- Send your entry to Katie Rose [krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk](mailto:krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk)
- Competition closes on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**
- Details of awards and prizes to follow!
- **Good Luck from Mrs Davies**

*All things bright and  
beautiful,  
All creatures great and  
small,  
All things wise and  
wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*