PRAYER FOR AWARDS & PRESENTATION NIGHT

God our Father,

we can look back over the last few years and recall the friendships that have formed and the good relationships that have developed.

We give thanks for all who have enriched our lives in various ways: at home, in school, in church, and in the local community.

We are conscious too, Father, of mistakes that have been made and relationships that have gone sour. We ask for healing of what has been negative in the past, as we place ourselves into your hands. Inspire us in the years ahead to live in such a way that we readily apologise when things go wrong, as well as expressing thanks and encouragement to those who are a part of our lives.

We give thanks, Father, for the gifts and talents and skills you have given to each one of us. We think of people who may have received less than others but have made much of themselves. We remember, too, those who have overcome great difficulties, and all who have inspired us because they have given of their best.

In giving thanks for what has been in the past, we ask for your blessing on our present and future. We pray for wisdom in setting our priorities and in making our choices, that we may live fully and make our part of the world a better place because of the care and compassion that we will bring to it.

We give thanks today and we commit ourselves to be people who act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.