

1st prize 5-7 years age group

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**Age:** 6

**Bio of author:** My name is Neev. I live in Mordialloc. My favourite subject is maths and, I love writing stories. I also like reading books to my baby brother.

Title: The Mole in the Hole

Judge's notes: "I loved the moral to this story and the wonderful friendship between the parrot and the mole."

"Really cute story and loved the idea behind it!"

"Good plot progression with a problem to be solved and satisfying resolution."

## The Mole in the Hole

The Mole lived in a hole in a cold dense forest. He decorated the hole with pretty flowers and twigs and leaves and coloured mud. He had a best friend, the parrot.

Suddenly, it started to pour heavily and the mole's house stared to fill up with water. The parrot was the mole really sad. The parrot really wanted to help. He thought and thought and thought really hard. The parrot had an idea. He started pushing the cloud away. But the cloud didn't budge.

He squawked and squawked until all his friends gathered and they all pushed the cloud.

The cloud moved away! The mole was happy again.

MORAL: We achieve more as a team.