



**2021 REFUGEES & HUMAN RIGHTS
CHILD & YOUTH POETRY CONTEST
DIVISION 1 - GRADES 4 TO 6**

**HIMMAT SINGH KALIRAI, GRADE 5
ELEMENTARY VIRTUAL SCHOOL
FIRST PRIZE**



A LETTER FOR HUMANITY

(Based on true stories and events)

To 2 year old Alan,
One photograph and the world finally paid attention.
A little boy who didn't just lose his childhood but his life too.
His family was trying to escape and find a safe place to call "home".
Alan didn't make it to the end of the journey alive.

To 3 year old Huda,
All she knew was violence and war and weapons.
A journalist was taking a photo of her with his camera. She
thought it was a gun and put her arms in the air.
All she knew was fear and panic.

To 5 year old Aisha,
She doesn't know why but she knows she is not safe. She
does not know if she will ever be safe.
When she sees an officer, she cries because it means there is no peace.
Even if the officer is protecting her, she cries because it means the war is
not over.

These are the stories of only 3 kids.
Can you imagine how many more kids just like them are suffering every day?
No home. No safety. No peace. No child should live like this.
They are only kids.