THE T.E BROWN PORTRAIT CHALLENGE....

TE Brown was born in Douglas and educated at King William's College and later Oxford. He later became the Isle of Man's National poet.

Did you know that in 1914 the Manx Society presented Island schools with a portrait of TE Brown to try to encourage Manx children to take up studies of our national poet?





THE T.E. BROWN PORTRAITS

UNVEILING CERFMONIES IN MANX SCHOOLS.

MANX SOCIETY'S GIFTS

An annual "Brown Night" has been arranged for by the society, and in further advancement of their efforts to honour the memory of the illustrious dead, the society has this week presented to every public school in the Isle of Man a well-executed copy of Brown's portrait, handsomely framed. The hope of the society is that the hanging of these portraits in the schools will incite and encourage the youth of the Island to take up the study of the national poet, and to judge from the cordial reception which the presentations have met with from the educational authorities and from the teachers and pupils of the schools, the hope is very likely to materialise.

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We want to know where yours is! Is it still on your wall? Is it in a dusty cupboard?

Your challenge for Island of Culture 2014 is to find it and put it back on your wall! Then send us a photograph of it with your pupils. Maybe you could find the log book entry from then? Or any other information?

To help celebrate Island of Culture the World Manx Society have kindly provided us with copies of the original portraits of TE Brown which will be presented to new school's which do not have an original portrait.

Good luck!

Send your photos, or any questions you may have to j.callister@doe.sch.im