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Dear Maria

Congratulations on having been chosen as one of this year's winners of The Pushkin Prizes in Scotland and St Petersburg. We look forward to welcoming you to Scotland from Saturday 23rd April to Saturday 30th April.

Our judges this year were the writer Keith Gray and the writer and poet Joan Lennon. Both live and work in Scotland, and are popular award-winning writers for readers of your age. You will meet them both at the prize-giving in Edinburgh.

The judges enjoyed reading all the stories - they felt that the standard of entries from St Petersburg pupils was higher than ever before, and their job in deciding on two winners was therefore harder than ever before. They said, "The Russian entries this year were varied and original and we are in awe of these young writers' ability to write stories, poems and articles, and then to translate their writing. They and their teachers and families can be very proud of this achievement."

You will be travelling to Scotland with Natalya Ushmanova, our Director in St Petersburg - and she will be able to tell you about what to expect. It would be helpful if I could email you and your parents with the arrangements, so I would be grateful if you could send your email to my address below.

With kind regards

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