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KS2 Writing Competition



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Dear Parents/Carers

Following our recent online session with rapper and storyteller Alim Kamara, we are delighted to let you know about an exciting opportunity for pupils in Year 3 to Year 6 to take part in the National Storytelling Week Writing Competition.

As part of National Storytelling Week, pupils are invited to submit their own rap lyrics, inspired by Alim Kamara's workshop. This is a fantastic chance for children to develop their creativity, confidence, and storytelling skills through writing.

About the Competition

Teachers can submit pupils' rap writing throughout February, with submissions closing on 27 February. Winners will be notified in May.

Prizes

Winning pupils' writing will be published in a special National Storytelling Week anthology. Winners will receive a printed copy of the anthology, and our school will also receive a copy. All schools that submit entries will be automatically entered into a prize draw to win a bundle of books.

Several pupils in KS2 will have the exciting opportunity to have their work performed and recorded by rapper Alim Kamara.

Submission Guidelines

Submissions must be a maximum of 300 words.

Writing should be in the form of rap lyrics, building on Alim Kamara's workshop.

Entries will not be judged on spelling or grammar, but the writing should be clear and coherent.

No pupil names should appear on or inside the document – only initials can be used.

All entries should be handed to your child's class teacher no later than 23 February 2026.

We hope this competition will inspire pupils to enjoy storytelling in a new and creative way.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to celebrating our pupils' writing.

Yours faithfully

Mrs P Petch
Class Teacher and Literacy Lead