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Year 6 Poetry Slam Event – Visit from Spoz
Friday 4th December 2026

Dear Families,



On **Friday 4th December**, we will be welcoming Spoz (Giovanni Esposito), an award-winning performance poet and former Birmingham Poet Laureate, into school for a day of fun, inspiring and interactive poetry workshops. Spoz is well known for his energetic performances, sense of humour and enthusiasm for encouraging young people to express themselves through poetry.

Throughout the day, the children will work in small groups alongside Spoz to develop their creative writing skills, craft their own original poems and build their confidence in performing poetry aloud. The day will culminate in an exciting Somers Park Poetry Slam, where the children will perform their poems and a winning team will be selected to represent our school at the Worcestershire Poetry Slam Final.

The Worcestershire Poetry Slam Final will take place on Wednesday 17th March 2027, at the Palace Theatre, Alcester Street, Redditch, B98 8AE, in the evening. Our winning team will have the opportunity to attend an after-school poetry club in the lead-up to the event, where they will work together to refine, rehearse and perfect their performance before competing against other schools.

There will also be an opportunity to purchase copies of Spoz's poetry books, which he will be happy to personally sign during his visit. Further details about how to order these will follow.

The cost of this in-school experience is £5.00 per child, payable via Arbor, our online payment system, by Monday 30th November

We are really looking forward to what promises to be a fantastic day of creativity, teamwork and performance.

Many thanks,

Miss Murphy, Mrs Black and Mrs Lineham.

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION: Under the 1996 Education Act, the school requests a voluntary contribution if you wish your child to take part in this visit. The contribution is voluntary, but the visit will only take place if there are enough voluntary contributions to make the trip possible. Otherwise, the trip will be cancelled and a full refund will be made.*