

5<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to offer your child the opportunity to get involved with a Poetry Competition as part of National Poetry Day led by Otter Barry Books.



This year's theme is **REFUGE!**



For this year's National Poetry Day on 5<sup>th</sup> October, Otter Barry Books invites you to write a poem about how you can find refuge or a safe place to express yourself in your voice through your writing.

Enter your poem by midnight on the **16th November 2023** for a chance to win a visit (online or in-person) from the poet Matt Goodfellow and signed copies of his first verse novel, *The Final Year*.

You can enter **one poem** on the theme of the refuge in writing. You can use any form of poetry and your poem can be **up to 250 words**. The Competition is open to anyone aged **8-11 yrs old**.

To submit entries please use the link: <https://www.otterbarrybooks.com/competitions>

Good luck and happy writing!

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