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Dear Parents and Carers,

October is Black History Month in the UK, and we shall be marking it with a week of activities beginning on 21st October which recognise, value and celebrate inspirational individuals and events which have shaped black generations in the United Kingdom. During Black History Month, we remember and celebrate important people from the past and those who contribute to, and help, our society today.

The aims of Black History Month 2024 is to 'reclaim narratives' focusing on sharing stories of Black history and culture, as well as correcting historical inaccuracies. This includes less well-known and untold stories, as well as stories about famous historical figures. Listening to these stories, and learning about historical figures and their achievements, can inspire the younger generation to dream big. It's important to celebrate the contributions of everyone in our communities and to support the multiculturalism and diversity that shapes them. It can highlight any inequalities that Black people are facing, and work towards shaping a better future for all. Black History Month UK can also give opportunities to discuss inspirational Black and Mixed Heritage people throughout history, that future generations can look up to.

We have planned lots of activities this week for the children to take part in. One of the activities your child will be taking part in is playing African Djembe Drums. To fund this fantastic experience for all of the children to take part in, we are kindly asking for a voluntary donation of **£4.03 which is payable through ParentPay**. Please can all payments be made by **18th October 2024**.

Please let you child's class teacher know if you or anyone you know has any links or stories to any of the individuals or events below. For example, maybe you have attended (or taken part in) the Notting Hill Carnival or maybe you or someone you know went to Tameside college with Chris Ofili.

Key Stage	Focus individual or event	
EYFS (Nursery and Reception)	Art	Frank Bowling
	PSHE	Rosa Parks
	History	-
	Science	Mae Jemison
	Music	African Instruments
KS1 (Years 1&2)	Art	Jean-Michel Basquiat



	PSHE	Claudia Jones - Notting Hill Carnival Activist.
	History	Mary Seacole
	Science	Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock
	Music	British Hip-Hop
LKS2 (Years 3&4)	Art	Chris Ofili
	PSHE	Paul Stephenson (Bristol Bus Boycott)
	History	Walter Tull
	Science	Anne-Marie Imafidon
	Music	Ska
UKS2 (Years 5&6)	Art	Stephen Wiltshire
	PSHE	UK Black Panther Movement & Doreene Lawrence
	History	Lilian Bader
	Science	Elizabeth Anionwu
	Music	Northern Soul as well as other genres
All Years	Food Tasting	All children will have the opportunity to taste foods from Africa and the Caribbean.
All Years	Djembe Drums	All classes will be taking part in Djembe drums workshop either on the Monday or the Tuesday.
All Years	10 magical minutes –	Class teachers will choose texts written by black authors

Kind Regards

Miss Maltby

PSHE Lead

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DJEMBE DRUMS – MONDAY AND TUESDAY 21-22 OCTOBER 2024

Child's Name

CLASS.....

I have/have not made a voluntary contribution of £4.03 on ParentPay. Please delete as appropriate and return to your child's class teacher.

Signed



