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# Welcome to this assembly created by

## BLM Committee 2022

BHM Theme 2022: Actions speak louder than words

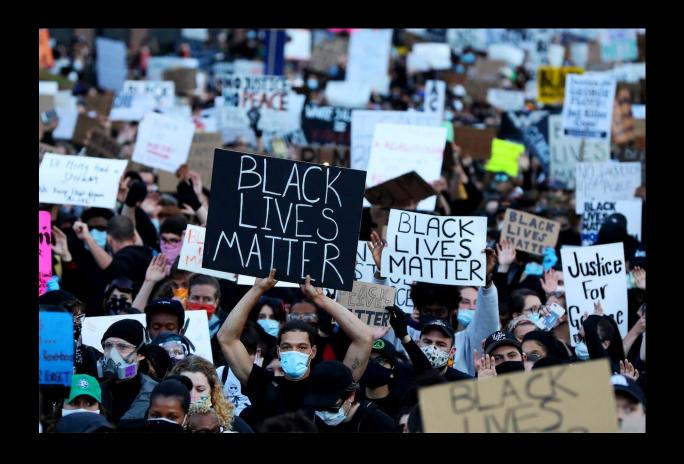
## What is Black History Month?

In the UK Black history month was first celebrated in October 1987. It was organized through the leadership of Akyaaba Addai-Sebo, who had served as a coordinator of special projects for the Greater London Council and created a collaboration to get it underway. It is now celebrated every year.



## What is Black Lives Matter?

In America #BlackLivesMatter was founded in 2013 in response to the acquittal of Trayvon Martin's murderers. Due to this, the Black Lives Matter movement quickly swept across the world. As a result, people began to realize the inequalities that people of colour face in the justice system, education and may more.



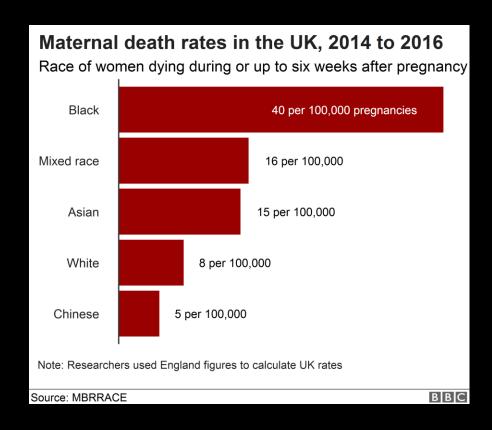
## What is racism?

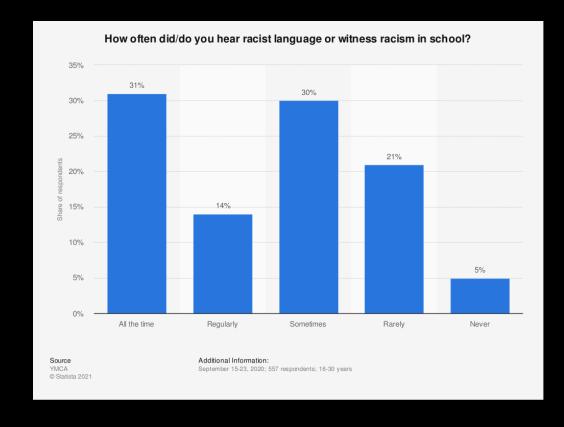
Prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism by an individual, community, or institution against a person or people based on their membership of a particular racial or ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized.

Racism can only be towards people that are in the ethnic minority therefore in England, English white people are not the minority which means racism can only typically happen to all the other ethnicities.

## What is racism like in UK

#### Here are some statistics:











Cultural Appropriation

Definition - Cultural appropriation takes place when members of a majority group adopt cultural elements of a minority group in an exploitative, disrespectful, or stereotypical way.

Why should we research before exploring other cultures?

Researching is great thing to do before trying out other cultures because then if you do end up trying something and people are offended you will know why.

Researching the origins of certain parts of cultures can help you understand why they were created in the first place and if really should be wearing or doing them.



## Hairstyles

- The origin of braids can be traced back 5000 years in African culture to 3500 BC—they were very popular among women." Braids are not just a style; this craft is a form of art. "Braiding started in Africa with the Himba people of Namibia," says Pace. "These people have been braiding their hair for centuries.
- As you can see braids have been use for various reasons and one of them was to store food in ,in times when Black people were limited to the amount of food they could eat when they were enslaved.



# So, can I explore other cultures?

There is no simple answer to this question, but we think if you do wear any hairstyles originated by Black people or wear anything that came from this culture you must always realise the privellege you have to be able to enjoy the culture.

This is because many people who have cultural hairstyles have suffered from bullying for many years from the different hairstyles to the clothes they wear.

So, think to yourself is it fair that when they express their own culture, they may have had to suffer bullying and racism.

Think to yourself why when let's say a Black male wears braids its ghetto or 'scary' but when a white person does its 'cool' and 'they're just trying a new culture.'

## Feeling like you don't fit in?

- Being one of the only Black students in a white dominated school can be an extremely lonely time in a child's life.
- This can make it difficult for a child to feel like they fit in because they are 'different' to the other kids.



## What are the impacts of this?

- AS well as the child is already at a disadvantage when feeling like they do not belong additional comments can make it worse.
- Such as people commenting negatively on their hair or their food or even their clothes can make them feel like they need to try and be the same as everyone else.
- This can create a huge amount of insecurities and you could see the child grow into a person that they are not because they felt the need to feel 'accepted' or the same.

## What can we do to stop people feeling so alone?

- Learn about their culture! This is such a great thing to do as when you already know why someone is wearing; braids or waist-beads this can help them feel like you understand them.
- Think to yourself before you ask someone a question would I ask this same question to this person if they were white?
- If the answer is no, then it is probably best to not ask the question unless you know the person would be comfortable with that.



### Black History Heroes



Barack Obama
First black President of the USA



Kamala Harris
The first female black Vice
President of the USA



Aliko Dangote
The richest black man in the world



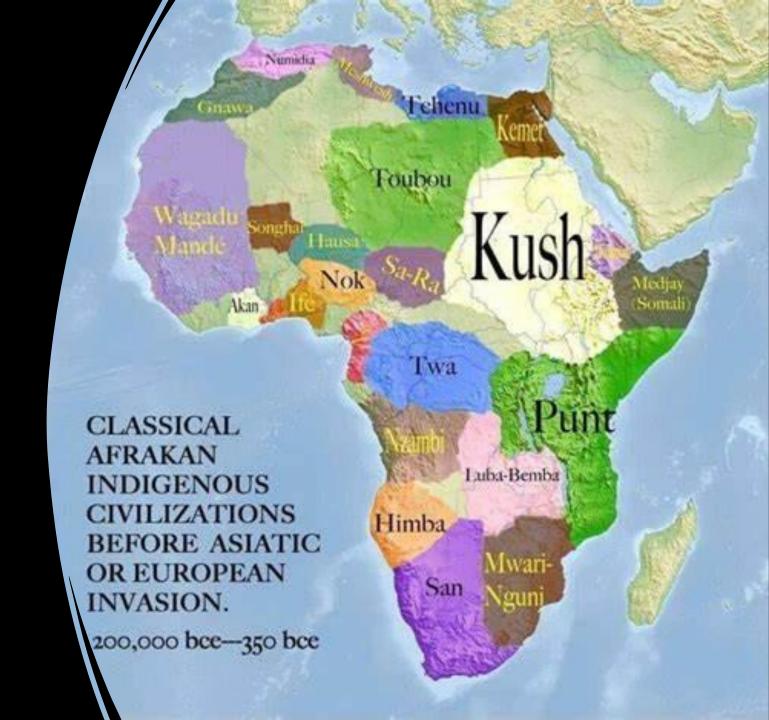
Naomi Campbell
The highest paid black model



Usain Bolt
The fastest man alive

What is happening for BHM 2022?

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October Lunchtime K103





## What is happening for BHM 2022?

What is historically accurate from this film is the fact that Katherine G. Johnson was a mathematician and calculated the math for the orbitation of the Friendship 7. Also, John Glenn was the very first person to orbit around the earth. Not only that, but Dorothy had become the very first African-American Supervisor at NASA and was known to be one of the most brilliant minds at NASA, for the frontier electronic computing. Last but not least, Mary Jackson had become the very first, as well, African-American aeronautical engineer at NASA.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

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### Black History Month 2022

1. Rosa Parks, civil rights activist. https://eu.usatoday.com/stor y/news/nation/2020/02/04/ro sa-parks-famous-birthday-5- facts-you-should- know/4653590002/	2. Maya Angelou, poet and writer. https://www.biography.com/ writer/maya-angelou	3. Mary Seacole, nurse. https://www.bbc.co.uk/progr ammes/p07pvv3z	4. Juan Garrido, explorer. https://face2faceafrica.com/ar ticle/7-amazing-black- explorers-who-made-a-mark- in-history	5. Michelle Obama, former First Lady and campaigner. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=wePNJGL7nDU	6. David Olusoga. Historian. David was born in Gateshead and grew up there https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/profiles/2pT94YQjVvGlLJpdYDrMn6t/david-olusoga	7. Billie Holliday, singer. https://www.youtube.co m/watch?v=Web007rzSOI
8. Chris Ofili, Turner Prize winning artist. https://artuk.org/discover/sto ries/ten-black-british-artists- to-celebrate	9. Dr Shirley Jackson, physicist. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=mKAgAdHaJw0	10. Joseph Bologne, classical musician 'Black Mozart' https://www.classicfm.com/di scover-music/black- composers-who-made- classical-music-history/	11. Reasonable Blackman, Tudor silk weaver. https://www.historyextra.com /period/tudor/black-faces-of- tudor-england/	12. Barbara Walker, artist. https://artuk.org/discover/sto ries/celebrating-black-british- artists-in-public-collections	13. Matthew Henson, Polar Explorer. https://www.nationalgeographic.c om/news/2016/02/160224-polar- explorer-matthew-henson-photos/	14. Jesse Owens, Olympic medallist. <a href="https://www.youtube.co">https://www.youtube.co</a> m/watch?v=quQopJmQry  4
15. Toussaint L'Ouverture, leader of the Haitian Revolution https://www.blackpast.org/gl obal-african-history/loverture- toussaint-1743-1803/	16. The first Black Briton, taken from Black and British. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=v4oIXLBoi0Q	17. Otis Boykin, inventor. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=YXqOoALq5fs	18. Charles Drew, scientist. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=vFddM7p2zH4	19. Florence Prince, classical musician. https://www.classicfm.com/di scover-music/black- composers-who-made- classical-music-history/	20. Bernadine Evaristo, writer. https://literature.britishcouncil.org /writer/bernardine-evaristo	21. Diane Abbott, politician. https://www.blackhistory month.org.uk/article/secti on/history-of-politics/the- first-black- parliamentarians-in-our- times/
22. Black Poppies, soldiers in WW1. Year 9 History students reading extracts of this at the moment https://media.nationalarchive s.gov.uk/index.php/black- poppies-britains-black- community-great-war/	23. Dame Doreen Lawrence, campaigner  https://www.blackhistorymon th.org.uk/article/section/bhm- firsts/baroness-lawrence- theres-no-halo-just-say-hello/	24. Betty Campbell, Wales' first black headteacher. https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/ uk-wales-58721710	25. Donald Rodney, artist. https://artuk.org/discover/sto ries/ten-black-british-artists- to-celebrate	26. Chadwick Boseman, actor. https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=4VSx2E7WE50	27. Saint Martin de Porres, Patron Saint of racial justice, harmony and mixed-race people. https://www.britannica.com/biogr aphy/Saint-Martin-de-Porres	28. Private Arthur Roberts, WW1 soldier. https://www.english- heritage.org.uk/learn/hist ories/black- history/arthur-roberts/
29. The story of Windrush.	30. Dr Anthony Roberts,	31. James Peters,	Further resources:			DAVID OLUSOGA

- Hamilton, theatre by an all black cast: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSCKfXpAGHc
- Black History Month website: https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/
- African Kingdoms: https://africankingdoms.co.uk/
- Painting Our Past: https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/painting-our-past/
- Black and British, A Short Essential History by David Olusoga
- Black and British BBC, https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0499smp
- National Archives, Black British History on Record, https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/black-history



https://www.englishheritage.org.uk/visit/inspireme/the-story-of-windrush/

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#### Drama

We have included a play celebrating Caribbean culture called 'Soundclash' by a black playwright called Sir Lenny Henry.

#### Media

We look at a range of music producers and question the representations of BAME in the media industry. During Master of the Arts we will be listening to some inspiring leaders in the Creative Arts such as Spike Lee and Samuel L Jackson.

#### **English**

- Poetry from other cultures (which focuses on African and Caribbean poets)
- Refugee Boy (exploring the emotions and experiences attached to being a black refugee)
- Love and Relationships poetry (exploring 'Black and interracial love')
- Noughts and Crosses (exploring discrimination and prejudice)

#### Science

We have lessons about black scientists- for example Maggie Aderin Pocock. Our display boards also include many black scientists. We have a science trip planned to hearinfluencial black scientists speaking.

#### Photography

We explore and discuss the purpose of Deborah Roberts; a black female practitioner. We photomontage work that looks at the representation of black children and the culture based around this.

#### **Religious Education**

We learn about the influence that Nelson Mandela had on his own country and why he is considered a father figure to his nation and the black community.

#### **PSD**

We learn about the impact of Martin Luther King and the inspirational methods he used during the apartheid, relating to current day.

## Here are <u>some</u> of the ways the HT curriculum has been adapted to celebrate black history...

Art

We have explored the work of an African artist Chris Ofili

in our 'Cultural Mask' project, as well as exploring his

representation of culture in his works.

#### Music

We do a new scheme of learning called 'Around the World' which looks at Samba, African and Indian music. Students then create their own multicultural piece of music using any of the key features of the music we have studied in the unit.

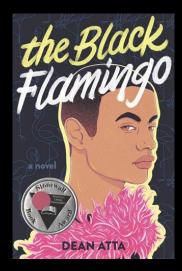
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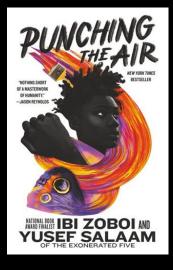
We have added content to learn about black Tudors.

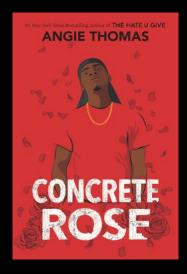
We look at the Transatlantic Slave Trade with a study of Harriet Tubman, Empire and the Commonwealth, including a study of the Windrush Generation and their impact on Britain. We also learn about the contributions from key black individuals in the war effort, including Walter Tull and other black Britons.

We learn about the abolition of slavery and the fight for Civil Rights. We cover the contributions of Linda Brown, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, Thurgood Marshall, Malcolm X and other influential trailblazers.

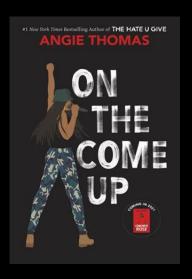
### Library Books on Black History at HT

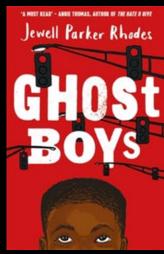




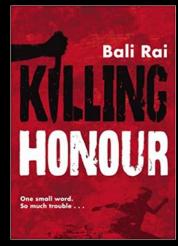


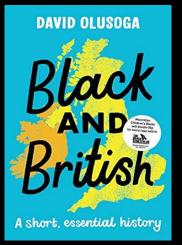


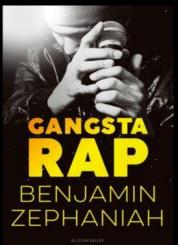












### Traditional Dress and Cultural Buffet

### Friday 21st October





## Join the BLM Committee 2022

When? Every Wednesday lunch (during BHM)

Where? H201 (Art Room)

Who? Everyone is welcome

