



St Matthias Black History Month 2023

Dear Families,

As we step into October, we embark on a remarkable journey celebrating Black History Month. This month, we pay homage to the powerful theme of 'Saluting our Sisters,' a heartfelt tribute to the remarkable black women who have left an indelible mark on history. Whether locally here in Hackney, across the UK, or worldwide, their contributions are immeasurable.

At St Matthias Primary School, our commitment to diversity and inclusivity is deeply ingrained in our curriculum year-round. However, Black History Month allows us a special opportunity not only to honour these contributions but also to partake in local and national celebrations that recognize the legacies of black women.

Throughout this month, each class will focus on one special woman. Our students will engage in a range of activities designed to connect them with their stories and accomplishments.

We cordially invite you to join us in this journey of exploration, celebration, and education. Encourage your children to share their newfound knowledge and engage in discussions about these remarkable figures. Additionally, you can explore books and resources related to Black History and participate in special events and projects we have planned for the month.

One such event is an exhibition of the children's work, showcasing what they've learned about these extraordinary women. The exhibition will take place at 9 am on the 16th of October in St Matthias Church. We are excited to announce that during the exhibition, we will also have a short interactive quiz for parents to complete. It's an opportunity to test your own knowledge and see how much you've learned from your children.

As we celebrate Black History Month and honour our remarkable women, let us remember that their stories are an integral part of our shared history. By celebrating diversity and recognizing the achievements of all, we create a richer, more inclusive, and compassionate community for our children to thrive in.

Thank you for your steadfast support in making St Matthias Primary School a place where every student's heritage and contributions are celebrated.

Warm regards,

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