



Dear parents and carers,

Many schools around the country will be marking Black History Month in October, as they do every year. Assemblies and special events, often linked to famous musicians or sporting figures, may be held and children may learn about different people in history, the arts or culture. These may be memorable opportunities for children but are often, 'ad hoc,' at best and can reinforce cultural stereotypes, at worst.

In Greenwich South Hub, we have made the conscious decision to not take part in Black History Month for several years. Instead, we have written our own curriculum which has representation at its heart; we have deliberately chosen events and people to learn about ensuring that different perspectives are included. We do this because we want all our children to know they belong and are represented in what we learn about. We think this is incredibly important in a multicultural world, as our children learn to live to be global citizens who understand our joint histories and develop the skillsets to thrive and embrace the world.

All Maritime schools are undergoing a website update; as this completes, we will be adding our curriculum to them. We are very proud of the rich opportunities our children enjoy so please talk to them about what they are learning about and why it is so important.

With kind regards,

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