

Black History Month October 2020

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BILL RICHMOND
Freed Slave, Boxer, Entrepreneur
Spent the last evening of his life here with his friend Tom Cribb
27 Dec 1829
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The “Beachy Head Lady” was a skeleton discovered in the East Sussex beauty spot in 1953, and she is thought to have lived around AD245. (so she is over 1,700 years old!)

Research and facial reconstruction shows she is from sub-Saharan Africa, living in Britain during Roman occupation. Britain and North Africa were part of the same Roman Empire.

We know this lady was around 30 years old, grew up in the vicinity of what is now East Sussex, ate a good diet of fish and vegetables, her bones were without disease and her teeth were in good condition.

This suggests she was not a slave.

Interestingly the Romans did not factor skin colour as a way of “ranking” citizens

What is Black History Month?

- Black History Month happens in October in the UK. (In the USA it happens in February)
- It's a celebration of the contribution that black people have made to the UK.
- Some people argue its “unfair” as there isn't a “White History Month.” This is a shame and is usually because people do not understand racial inequality in 2020 and need more help to understand.
- White history is celebrated and acknowledged **every day**, it is built into the fabric of our day-to-day lives. If things were “fair” we wouldn't need a Black History Month!
- By the end of October we want **EVERYONE** to know more about Black British History
- Throughout history, black people have been discriminated against and treated badly because of the colour of their skin and their achievements and contributions have been **written out of the history books**
- The History department have been working hard to rectify this and have made changes to the topics you will cover in years 7, 8 and 9. We know we still have work to do here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ut5gtrezN4E>

- Watch the 8 minute video clip from the link above
- This is from writer, film producer and historian David Olusoga –who is a lecturer at the University of Manchester.
- His book and TV series is called ‘Black and British’ (on iPlayer)

1. What does he say is the problem with the history we are taught in school?

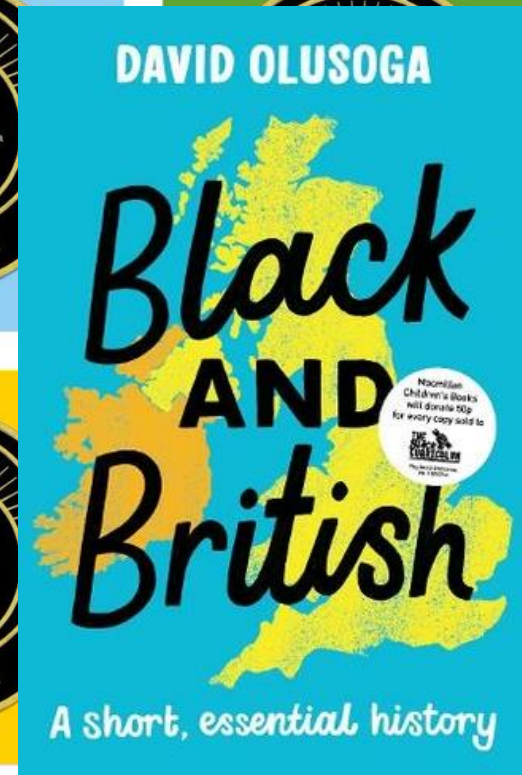
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How will Wellington be Celebrating Black History Month?

- We want you to discover the contribution that black people have made to the UK
- Over the next month you will see a series of plaques in your year zones (show next slide).
- There will be new plaques each week in your zone
- There is a grid to fill in on Class Charts so you can research who/what each event/person was, and what it tells us about the contribution black people have made to the UK
- The completed entries will be entered into a draw to win a copy of David Olusoga's book. Plus some sweets/chocolates! You hand entries to your tutor who will pass to the History Department. We award prizes every week in October

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An example of the black plaques you will see in your zones

The first recorded African community in Britain guarded a Roman fort on this site
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BEACHY HEAD WOMAN
were found near this site.
Of African origin, she lived in East Sussex
2nd-3rd century AD
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FORTRESS
Thousands of Africans were transported into slavery from this site
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This is important as it shows that Black Africans were living in Britain nearly 2000 years ago and they were not slaves.

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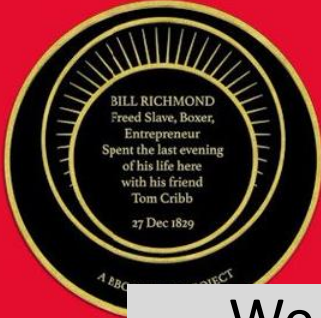
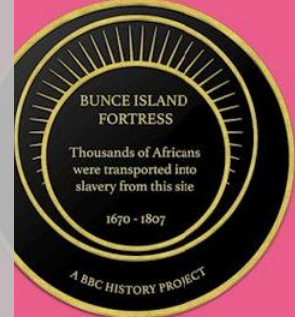
Plaque task in year
group zones

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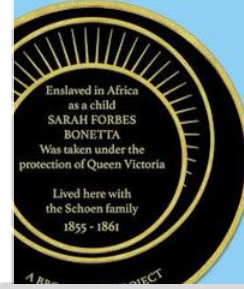
Who are they? What was it?	What did they do/what happened?	Why is it important in British history?

Design a BHM plaque competition



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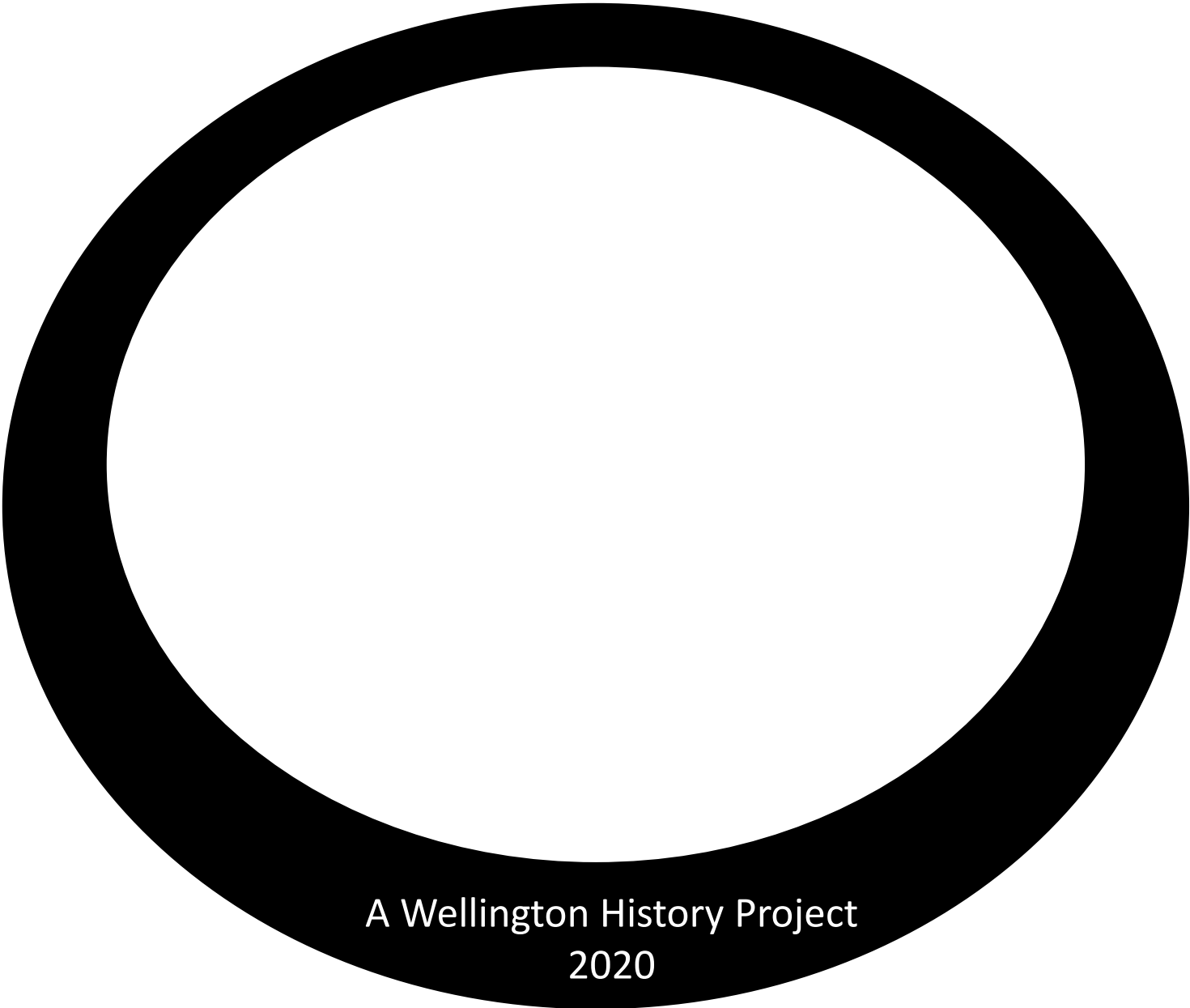
We would like to design our own black plaque to commemorate Black History Month 2020

The winning design will be **made into a plaque and put up in the school!**

The template is on Class Charts (see next slide)

We want something that captures the spirit of 2020 and the growing movement to achieve a truly anti-racist society

Black History Month- “The importance of Black History in 2020”



Name

Tutor Group:

What else?

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In October:

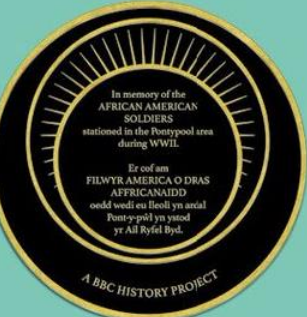
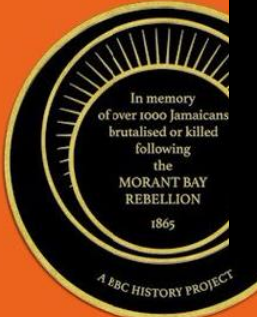
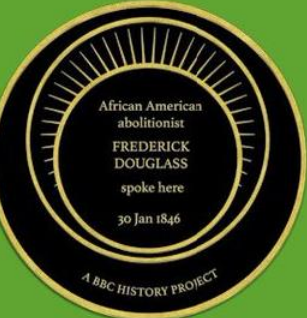
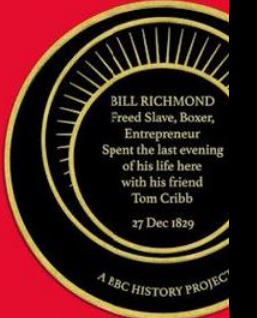
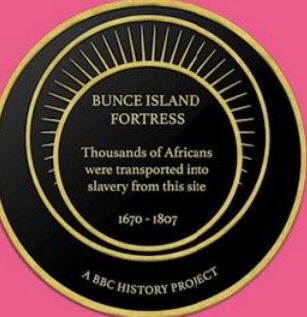
Every KS3 class will have a History lesson on Black British History

Every KS4 class will also have a 30 minute lesson- thanks to the REP dept for this!

Every 6th Form tutor will get a 30min lesson with Mr Scott, Mr Gerschler or Mrs Cooper during tutor time

Hand in all entries for the two competitions to your Form Tutor and they will pop them in Mr Gerschler's or Mrs Cooper's tray

****If anyone needs a paper copy of the chart/template design- we will pop some in your Tutor's trays****



Useful links if you want to carry on learning more:

- <https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/article/section/news-views/black-history-month-resource-pack/>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/41453182>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/48786804>
- <https://artsandculture.google.com/exhibit/zwKSz5OU34JYKA>