

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Black History Month

I would like to draw your attention to the events that are happening in school for Black History Month in October.

Wear Red Day

Friday 20th October is Wear Red Day 2023. This is the national awareness day of the charity Show Racism the Red Card. As we did last year, we are inviting staff and students to wear something red on the day. For example, red socks, a red scarf, a red jumper. Please note that this is <u>not</u> a wear your own clothes day!

This year the Senior Section of school (Year 9) is working on raising money for several charities. One of the form groups has chosen Show Racism the Red Card as their charity and so will be running fundraising events on the day. This includes a bake sale – so please can you remind your child to bring in some cash on the day.

Windrush

All students will hear an assembly on the theme of Windrush. The Diversity Group is working hard to gather stories from students about their connection to the Windrush generation. If any parents/carers wish to share their story, then please do get in touch with me as we would love to hear as many as possible.

Inspirational Figures

All tutor groups are selecting an inspirational figure from a diverse background to display on their form door, with an explanation of their contribution to society. We are then running a quiz based on the selections on 20th October. Mr Cuthbert (Head of Humanities Faculty) is running his annual competition with Year 7s, where they vote for a figure from history, and he delivers an assembly on that person.

With thanks for your support,

Helen Green Assistant Head Teacher Head of Diversity, Equality and Inclusion

