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## GGA Celebrates 5 Years Of Black History Month



During the month of October, we have been celebrating our 5th year of Black History Month across the school. The children have been learning fascinating facts about inspirational black people from the past and those that contribute to our society today. The children's learning has been enriched by visiting artists delivering a variety of workshops.



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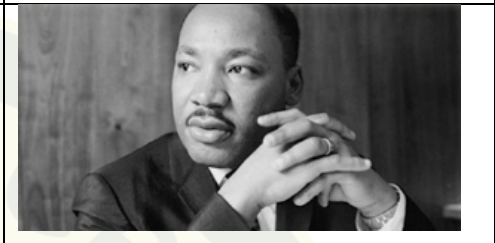
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Reception and Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
		
<p>Reception and Year 1 have been learning all about the importance of freedom through African Caribbean dance.</p> <p>They have also participated in a song and dance workshop which focused on superstars such as the International Reggae singer Robert Nesta Marley.</p>	<p>Year 2 children have focused their studies around the activist Rosa Parks. Rosa played a pivotal role in the Montgomery Bus Boycott.</p> <p>The United States Congress has called her "the first lady of civil rights" and "the mother of the freedom movement". To bring this topic to life the children have been involved in African American music workshops and African drumming retelling the story of Martin Luther King's struggle for equality for all people.</p>	<p>Year 3 teachers have chosen great Dr Martin Luther King as their area of study.</p> <p>They have been learning all about his leadership in the civil rights movement. Dr Martin Luther King is remembered for his non-violence protest. Graffiti artist Mark delivered a workshop around empowerment.</p>



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## Year 4



Our Year 4 pupils have been exploring the life of Ruby Bridges.

Ruby was the first black African American child to attend an all-white school (William Frantz Elementary School in Louisiana) during the New Orleans school desegregation crisis in 1960. Clay artist, Victoria Houghton delivered a clay workshop based on unity.

## Year 5



The children in Year 5 have been learning about the life of the brave Harriet Tubman. Harriet was an American abolitionist and political activist.

Born into slavery, Tubman escaped and subsequently made thirteen missions to rescue approximately seven hundred enslaved people, family and friends, using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad. They have produced a variety of written and art work which includes their very own medals from Queen Victoria to Harriet. The year group felted a freedom blanket.

## Year 6



Year 6 pupils have been participating in equality for all and anti-racism workshops.

They have also explored the life of the famous American poet Maya Angelou's and artist Jean -Michel Basquiat, ('Life Doesn't Frighten Me!')

During the next half term the children from Year 6 will be visiting the Higgins Museum to learn about the Windrush generation and their contribution in helping Britain recover after WW2.

Please see our gallery of events below.

Mrs Wilson



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