

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

St. Joseph's have started our annual 'Our heritage' topic from October 4th – 22nd. During this time, children will be taking part in various activities to celebrate diversity and culture as well as Black History month and will study significant people from around the world who have had a positive impact on our world, both from the past and the present.

Black History month Competitions

To celebrate Black History Month, we are running a competition across the school for children to design a unique piece of work about a famous or significant Black individual. Children can choose from a range of work: design a poster, write a short story/biography, create a video presentation, PowerPoint or artwork highlighting the person's contributions to society. It is their chance to be creative and recognise the outstanding contributions of Black people around the world. The competition closes on Wednesday 13th October 2021. The winner of the competition will be announced on Friday 15th October 2021. Alongside this, Year 4, 5 and 6 will be taking part in the exciting competition held by Adobe and Sky.

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Storytelling / games / music & dance

We would love to invite you into school to share any traditional stories, games, music or dance with the children. This will be a great opportunity for children to experience different cultures in a variety of ways.

School Fashion show

We will also be hosting a St. Joseph's fashion show. Children should come into school wearing their traditional clothing. Each class will be invited to take part in a fashion show and we would like to invite parents and family members to join in as well..

School recipe book

We would like to compile a school cookery book of recipes from all over the world. So if you have a favourite recipe and would like to share it with us, please do send it in with your name by 12th October 2021. Do encourage your family and friends to do the same.

School Food festival

We will be hosting a food festival to invite you and your families to bring in traditional dishes to share amongst our school family. Owing to the various allergies and dietary requirements around the school, we ask that all food is **nut free** and that you list the ingredients in your dishes. You can send children into school with their dishes or you can bring the dishes straight to the festival in the afternoon.

Dates for your diaries:

8th October 2:45-3:15	Parents storytelling/ traditional games & music
13th October 3:00 - 4:30	Food Festival
20th October 2:00- 3:00	Dress up day/ Fashion show

We look forward to having you join us in this exciting celebration of culture and diversity.

If you would like to take part in the story telling day and/or the fashion show please inform your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely
Miss Ugbo
PSHE Lead

