



TMCS NOTICES

October Open Mornings

Open to prospective Year 7 Parents

Call to book your place via the school office - 020 8668 6251

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Black History Month

October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years.

The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations.



Why is Black History Month important?

Black history month was first launched in London in the 1980s, where the aim was for the local community to challenge racism and educate themselves and others about the British history that was not taught in schools.



Black people have been in Britain for a lot longer than previously thought - one of the oldest skeletons ever found was that of the Cheddar Man who had dark skin.

Archaeologists, the people who study human history through digging up sites looking at bones and ancient objects, think that he was alive during the Stone Age.



Now, Black History Month has expanded to include the history of not just African and Caribbean people but black people in general.

[Source - https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/49883230](https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/49883230)

Changes to our History Curriculum

Year 11 History GCSE pupils alongside their study of medicine on the western front are covering the following topics:

- WW1 in Africa
- Indra Lal Roy – and the Royal Flying Corp
- Black American soldiers of the Western Front
- The Indian Corp
- The British West Indies regiment

Year 9 and 10 History GCSE pupils who are studying the American West are covering the following topics:

- The US Civil War & abolition of slavery in the USA
- The Buffalo soldiers of the American frontier
- The real Lone Ranger – Bass Reeves
- Black cowboys of the American west



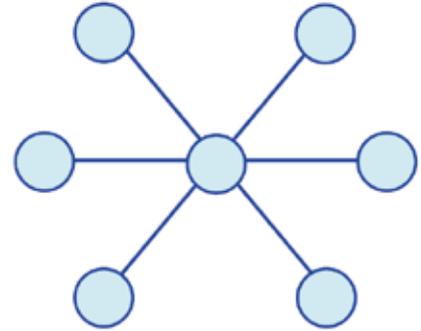


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Maths Challenge

Put the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in the circles so that each straight line of three numbers adds up to the same total.



Answer at the bottom of the newsletter

Year 7 CATs tests

All year 7 pupils will be sitting CATs test and a reading test next week. Pupils do not need to worry about these tests and there is nothing to revise or prepare. Please note that the results will only be used for internal purpose.



They will be used in conjunction with teacher assessments this term and the teacher predictions from primary school as a guide for class sets.

The tests will take place in T2 (a computer room) during period 2 and will last 2 hours. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Dako
Deputy Headteacher

Importance of bringing in a water bottle to school.

Without water, your body would stop working properly. Water makes up more than half of your body weight, and a person can't survive for more than a few days without it. Why? Your body has lots of important jobs and it needs water to do many of them. For instance, your blood, which contains a lot of water, carries oxygen to all the cells of your body. Without oxygen, those tiny cells would die and your body would stop working.

Source - <https://kidshealth.org/en/kids/water.html>



Spirituality Corner

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Confirmation for pupils

St Elphege's Catholic Church in Wallington) for pupils in year 8.

2021 Confirmation registration will take place in the Church Hall every Sunday in October ie on 18th and 25th October 2020 from 11.30 am - 1.30 pm.

Registration forms can be downloaded from the Parish website or alternatively, a form can be picked at the exit of the Church porch.

