



# ROKEBY RECORDER

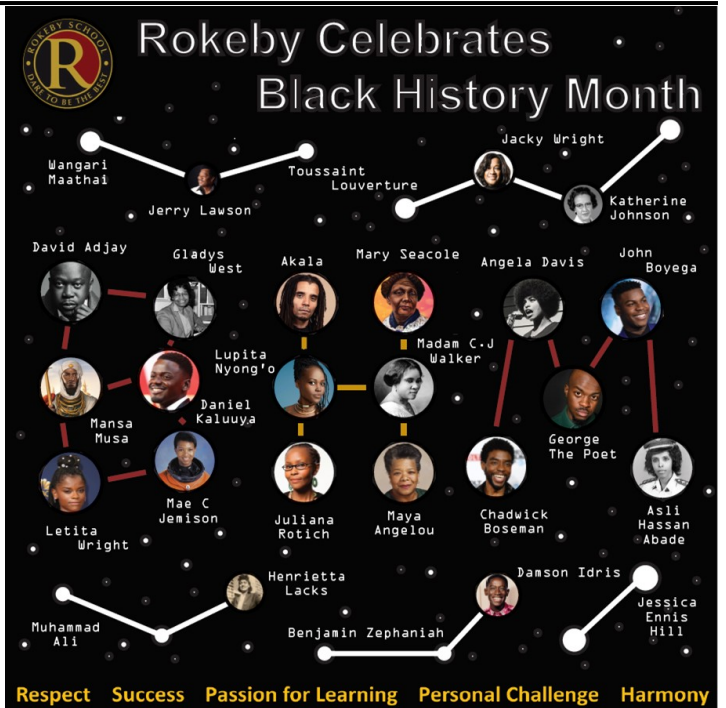
DARE TO BE THE BEST

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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October marks [Black History Month](#) (BHM) when we celebrate the huge achievements of Black Britons and the Black community. While, themes of black history and success are widely reflected within our teaching and learning, BHM is an opportunity to re-audit our curriculum, develop new resources, provide additional learning opportunities and to celebrate as a whole school.

Displays are looking incredible and staff have planned a range of activities for the month. Thought of the Week, assemblies, tutor time quizzes and Philosophy 4 Children (P4C) enquires will all focus on themes relating to BHM. Across subjects, students will be learning about the contribution and achievements of distinguished mathematicians, scientists, artists, sports people, musicians and engineers. Look out for our school banner outside school and we'll keep you updated with weekly activities here in the Rokeby Recorder!



## EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

European Day of Languages is an annual celebration of the diversity of languages spoken across Europe. Did you know there are over **200 European languages** and many more spoken by citizens whose family origin is from other continents? At **Rokeby** students speak over **52 languages**, from Albanian to Yoruba, and this diversity brings benefits to everyone.

For this year's celebration, tutor groups took part in an interactive escape room activity that tested their team work, detective skills and language knowledge.

Congratulations to **7K** and **9R** who were the fastest to escape!

Click on the image if you would like to try the challenge at home!



## ONLINE LEARNING TIMETABLES

All year 7, 8 & Year 11 students should have access to Google Classroom and Show my Homework for their online learning.

- \* Click [here](#) for the **Year 7** online timetable
- \* Click [here](#) for the **Year 8** online timetable
- \* Click [here](#) for the **Year 11** online timetable

If you need support or have any questions, please email your class teacher, form tutor or email [support@rokeby.newham.sch.uk](mailto:support@rokeby.newham.sch.uk)

All information and resources relating to online learning is uploaded to our website under [Parents/coronavirus information](#).



*Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony*

# THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*They told me I'd never get that far. They were right; I got even further.*

## INTRODUCING NEW STAFF



Hello there! I'm Miss Cates and I teach English to Years 7-11. I spent the first three years of my career teaching English in Sheffield and this is my fourth year teaching English, while also pursuing my MA in Educational Leadership.

My interests range from drawing and playing the ukulele, to watching psychological thrillers and listening to Ted Talks. During lockdown, I taught myself to play two songs on the ukulele! So far the students have made an great impression and I look forward to their progress as the year develops.

**Ms Cates, English teacher**



I have spent the last four years working at a mixed secondary school where I also completed my teacher training. My motivation for becoming a teacher came from my belief in the power of education to reduce inequality within society. My passion for drama stemmed from attending a youth theatre club in my area as a teenager. I have a first-class degree in Drama, Applied Theatre and Performance and I enjoy taking a multi-disciplinary approach to the subject and sharing this passion with my students. Seeing their various interpretations of drama inspires me to continue practicing it.

I love travelling, hiking and eating out. Having lived in the Caribbean for half my life and having eaten my way across most of Europe, any recommendations for my next trip will be well received once the pandemic is over!

**Ms Noeise, Head of Drama**

## ARTS AWARD

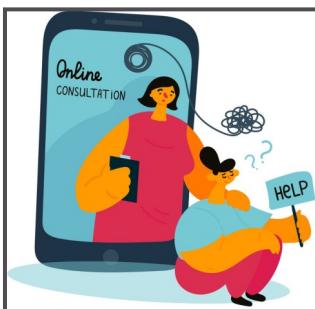


Arts Award is BACK! Due to current circumstances, we cannot hold the Arts Award sessions in school but we will be running the club virtually via Google Classroom.

If you would like to take part in the club and achieve a **Bronze Art Award**, please contact **Ms Roberts** in F18. Students who didn't manage to complete their awards last year are more than welcome to return and to finish projects they had started.



## Student Reminders:



Feeling low, stressed or worried? Talk to KOOOTH

Bring a water bottle to school



## CALENDAR

**W/b Mon 5th Oct.**  
Yr9 assessment week

**W/b Mon 12th Oct.**  
Yr8 assessment week

**W/b Mon 19th Oct.**  
Yr7 assessment week

**W/b Mon 26th Oct.**  
Half term

[View all events](#)

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

### Did you know:

90% attendance = 1/2 day missed every week.

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

### How is YOUR tutor group doing?

Congratulations this week go to:

**7B with 100% attendance**

## WORD OF THE WEEK

Can you find the meaning of the word below and make a sentence?

**Word: Succour**

How about really challenging yourself and making a sentence in your language subject.

 **Secours (m)**

 **Socorro (m)**

 **Помощь**

Once you have made your sentence(s), see your English teacher and/or your language teacher for an achievement point.