# Yedr II Bulletin

Monday 8th June

# **Black Lives Matter**



'No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin or his background or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite.'

Nelson Mandela, The Long Walk to Freedom 1994.

## 8 Minutes 45 Seconds

- Recently, America has seen huge riots following the death of George Floyd, 46. He died after being arrested by police outside a shop in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Footage of the arrest on 25th May shows a white police officer,
   Derek Chauvin, kneeling on Mr Floyd's neck while he was pinned to the floor.
- "I can't breathe," Mr Floyd said repeatedly, pleading for his mother and begging "please, please, please".
- For eight minutes and 45 seconds, Mr Chauvin kept his knee on Mr Floyd's neck.

- It began with a report of a fake \$20 (£16.20) bill.
- Allegedly, Mr Floyd used this note to purchase a pack of cigarettes
- Believing the \$20 bill he used to be counterfeit, a store employee reported it to police.
- 30 minutes later, Mr Floyd died.



## Historical Significance

- Historians are comparing today's protests to the civil rights movement of 50s and 60s
- Struggle for social justice that took place mainly during the 1950s and 1960s for black people to gain equal rights under the law
- The Civil War had officially abolished slavery (1865), but it didn't end discrimination against black people — they continued to endure the devastating effects of racism, especially in the South.
- By the mid-20th century, African Americans had had enough of prejudice and violence against them. They, along with many white people, mobilised and began an unprecedented fight for equality that spanned two decades.



## Find out more: 'Civil Rights Movement'

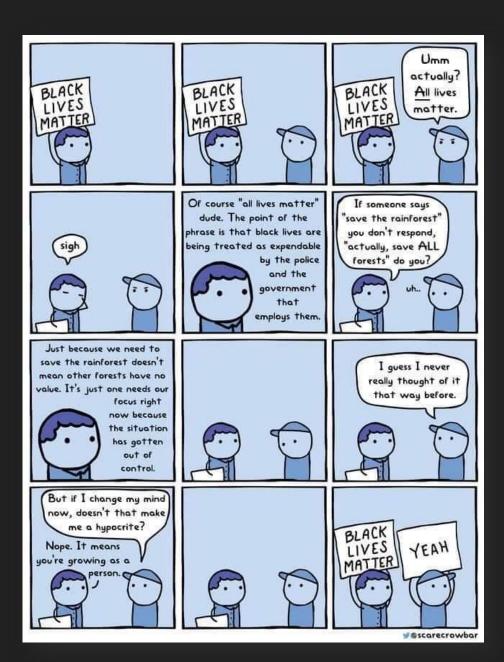
https://www.history.com/to pics/black-history/civilrights-movement



It is a shameful fact that racism is still prevalent in our society, and around the globe. While the world may have changed a lot since the days of slavery and segregation, there is still much to be doneby all of us - to level the playing field and help black people and others of colour reach a position where they can live their lives without being subjected to racism, either overt or subtle; personal or systemic.

Source: https://www.intofilm.org

The black lives matter movement is not saying that all lives don't matter but that black lives are oppressed and that needs to change.



# What can

- Research. Learn your facts.
- Reflect. Think about your own actions, your own thoughts.
- Acknowledge and Accept. It is painful to accept you may have privilege that others don't. That's ok. What is not ok is pretending that it does not exist.
- Talk. Talk to friends and family. Have difficult conversations. Respectfully challenge point of views.
- Share. Share information, posts you find, spread the message.
- Petition. There are many petitions campaigning for Black Lives Matter. You can also write to your MP.

# Websites you can visit

### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QwvC6GFmZp8

This video clearly explains what Blackout Tuesday is all about, including who is taking part and why.

### https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/52813673

This article explains what exactly happened to George Floyd and why it has sparked protests.

### https://blacklivesmatter.com/

Explains exactly what the Black Lives Matter movement is and how everyone is involved.

https://blacklivesmatter.com/

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black Lives Matter

https://www.itsnicethat.com/news/resourcessupporting-black-lives-matter-movement-creativeindustry-010620

**UK Centric Resources for Standing with Black Lives** 

## Why Black Lives Matter Now



A talk by Ellis Fearon, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A7EZWBIPUUQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A7EZWBIPUUQ</a>

Ellis was born in the UK and the year before this talk moved to Argentina. He was in 8th grade when this was recorded.

# Nobody wants to be at a disadvantage because of their skin colour.

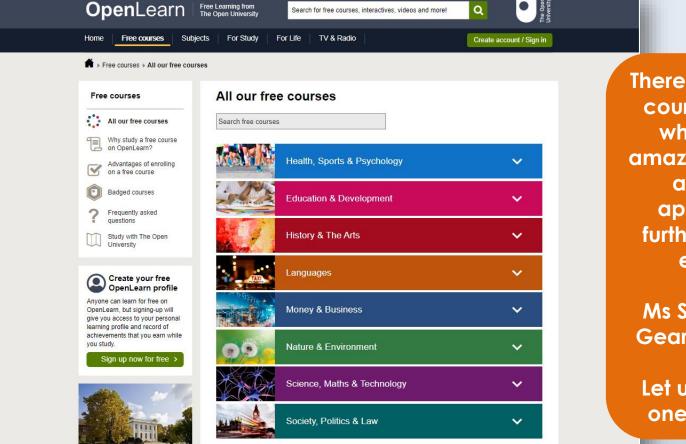
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Geary are going to
do one.
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one you choose!

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### **Imari Design Competition:**

Crown Derby China and especially the 'Old Imari' design, holds a special significance for some Travellers. When people travel, delicate items become very precious and highly prized. Some Traveller families love to display their collections. Derby China was the only manufacturer of luxury fine bone china when it was first established in 1750. The Imari pattern was first produced in Victorian times, when it became very fashionable and Queen Victoria gave a Royal Warrant to the factory. Today the pattern remains true to those original Victorian designs and each piece is hand finished with 22ct gold. Therefore pieces can command a very high price.

#### Competition details:

Create your own or copy a Gypsy/Roma Imari design.

Be as creative as you can with colors/ paints and any other resources you find; the more creative the better!

Deadline: Sunday 7th June (3pm)

Winner will be announced on Monday 8th June and prizes will be posted home!

Send to: himtiaz@nottinghamacademy.org

Google 'Gypsy/ Roma Imari design' for ideas ©



## WORD OF THE WEEK

ACADEMIC LANGUAGE



principles

# PRINCIPLE

**NOUN** 

- 1. A fundamental truth
- 2. A general scientific theory
- 3. A fundamental basis of something

**ENGINEERING:** "These machines

all operate on the same general

principle."

PHYSICS: "The first principle of all things was water."

PHILOSOPHY:

"The basic principles of justice."

# Quote of the Week

66 With one kind gesture you can change a life. One person at a time you can change the world.

One day at a time we can change everything.

-Dr. Steve Maraboli



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