

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2016

**MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER –
FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2016**

Energy, enthusiasm
and entertainment...
Bigfoot's enigmatic facilitators
have it all in abundance
and are ready to visit your
school to help you celebrate
Black History Month 2016
– contact us now to book your
preferred dates!

INTERACTIVE ASSEMBLY AND WORKSHOP PROGRAMMES (YEARS 1 – 6)

CARNIVAL OF HEROES

Spirit has become separated from The Notting Hill Carnival Parade only to re-appear in your school hall! From here a different kind of celebration and some contemplation ensues – that of black role models past present.

AFRICA; MY STORY

Join either 'Mama' or 'Brother' Africa as they share the stories that have inspired them - from their colourful childhood days in Africa, to the darkest of days during the slave trade. Can you help to ensure that the story of their lives and heritage will live on?

ALL ABOARD THE WINDRUSH!

Meet Clinton or his Mum as they wave goodbye to their homeland and prepare for a new life in post-war Britain. What will they miss? Why are they starting a new life in the Motherland? What was life like on board the Empire Windrush in 1948?

COME AN' SEE ANANSI

When Anansi is brought to life and drops into your school, be prepared for a lively story adventure! Weaving and spinning colourful tales from the shores of the Caribbean and Africa, this cunning half-man half-spider is the ultimate trickster!

All assemblies and accompanying workshops will need to take place in the hall or a similar space




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STORYTELLING EXPERIENCES

JOURNEY OF THE STORYTELLER (KS1 & KS2)

Join Bigfoot as we breathe new life into fairy tales of old by embracing the influence of Indian, Chinese and African cultures popular in the Caribbean countries of Trinidad and Guyana today.

A PASSENGERS STORY; GENERATION WINDRUSH (KS1 & KS2)

Celebrating over 65 years since the ship first docked at Tilbury, the story of the Empire Windrush marks the foundations of multi-cultural Britain. Meet Grace or Jakob, Grace's eldest son, both passengers on board the ship from the Caribbean, as they embark on the voyage of a lifetime.

THE STORY TREE STORIES (EYFS)

Around the World with Boone

Boone the Banana lives in a busy supermarket where all the fruit and vegetables are scared to mix in case they don't understand each other. But one morning Boone wakes up on the supermarket floor! Join Boone on his journey back home where he discovers that we are all a little bit the same and a little bit different!

Handa's Surprise

Join the Story Tree Tickler as they retell an adaptation of this popular story which explores the colourful and eventful journey of Handa as she travels through the beautiful landscape of Africa. As she collects surprises along the way for her friend Akeyo, help give Handa the biggest surprise of all!

All storytelling sessions are designed to take place in the classroom.

“ Compelling material and delivery meant children were totally engaged. Moreover, having a wonderful time. A winning recipe for successful learning. ”
Avondale Park Primary School

“ An inspiring, informative, highly entertaining extravaganza of a show. ”
James Dixon Primary School

“ This was one of the best assemblies we've had - feedback from staff, children and their parents was very positive. Sessions worked well and children learnt a lot about key Black historical figures. ”
St Peters London Docks Primary School

WORKSHOP PROGRAMMES (YEARS 1 – 6)

HEROES; BUZZ DAY

Our Hero days are a perfect way to celebrate and appreciate the amazing achievements of some well known, as well as some not so well known, figures in black and Afro Caribbean history. Through a variety of drama and art activities, children will devise 'protest slogans' based on the work of athletes Tommie Smith and John Carlos, which can be displayed in school after our visit.

We can work with up to 4 x classes over the course of a day.

'THE HUNTER'; GO MANTLE

'The Hunter' by Paul Geraghty tells the story of Jamina as she accompanies her grandfather into the bush and gets lost following a mournful sound emerging from the distance: a baby elephant with its dead mother, shot by poachers. By becoming members of a search party tasked with finding Jamina, your class will intricately explore the beauty of Africa's vast wildlife whilst fully engaging with the harsh realities that threaten communities like Jamina's.

We can work with 2 x classes over the course of a day.

AFRICAN DANCE; SPOTLIGHT

What better way to learn about Africa than through music and dance?! These workshops have been designed to encourage students of all ages and abilities to learn about this richly vibrant continent through the unique movements and sounds that originate from within. Picking up on the rhythms and beats of traditional music, students will be taught several simple routines that will help them understand how enjoyable it is to celebrate the heritage and traditions of Africa. We can work with up to 4 x classes over the course of a day.

Our 'Buzz' and 'Go mantle' days can take place in the hall or classroom.

However, the hall or a similar sized space must be available for all dance workshops.

“ Fun, informative and interactive assembly that was great value for money as it provided both a positive learning environment for the children but indirectly provided teachers with a passive CPD opportunity. ”

Ranelagh Primary School

“ Children and staff were enthused and motivated by the sessions - there was a real buzz from the children as they left the sessions. ”

Wilson Primary School



*Please note that the 'storytelling experiences' and 'Hero days' programmes are delivered by professional storytellers and facilitators from a variety of cultures and backgrounds. Therefore your facilitator may not be from Black Afro Caribbean origin.

Travel costs will be added to those venues located outside London ZONE 6.



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