

# Friday Worship

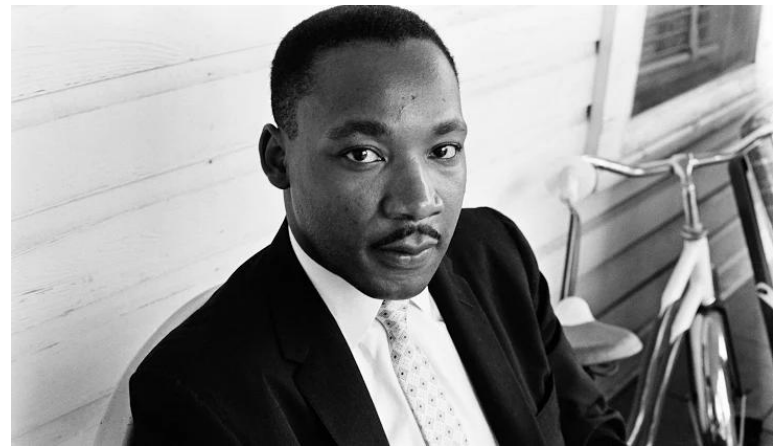
**Welcome to worship....**



**Who did you learn about yesterday?**

**What did you find out about him?**

Why is Martin Luther King remembered specifically in October?



# Black History Month

Black History Month is celebrated in the United Kingdom every year in October.

It is a celebration and recognition of the history, contributions and achievements of Black people all over the world.

Black History Month has been celebrated in the UK since 1987.

Each year, there is a theme.



# Standing Firm in Power and Pride

The theme of this year's UK Black History Month is 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride.'



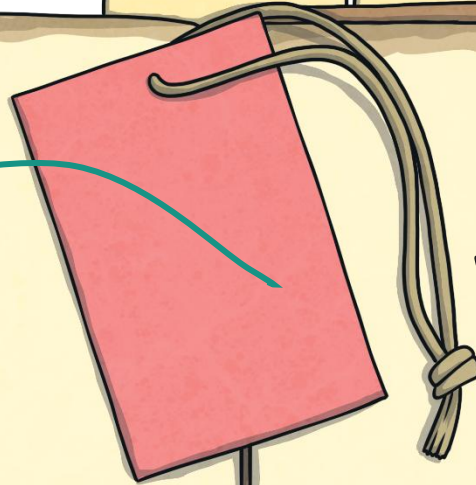
'Standing Firm in Power and Pride' emphasises the remarkable impact of Black leaders, activists, and pioneers whose contributions have played a vital role in shaping history.

This year's theme also inspires us to envision a future marked by ongoing empowerment, unity and progress.



# What We Will Learn

In this assembly, we will be learning about our proud heroes of service and about powerful voices of activism.



# Heroes of Service

Many Black individuals have served in the British armed forces. Discover the stories of Ulric Cross, John Simmonds and Arthur Roberts and the contributions that they made.



**Ulric Cross**



**John Simmonds**



**Arthur Roberts**

**Click on the pictures to find out more.**

# Voices of Activism

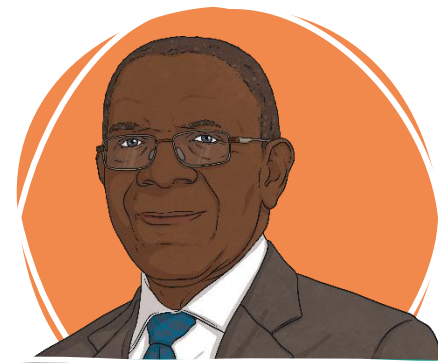
Explore social justice and find out about some influential Black activists and leaders who have championed social justice and civil rights.



**Stella Dadzie**



**Lady Phyll**



**Lord Bill Morris**

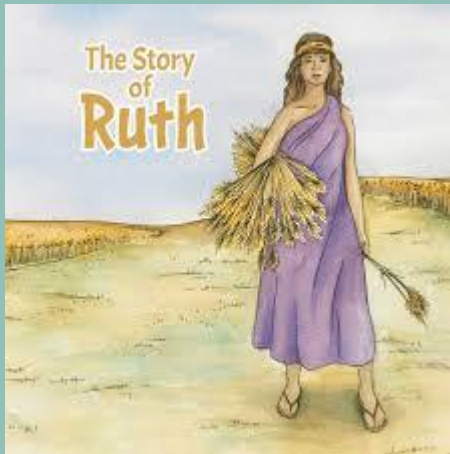
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Do you know what an activist does?

An activist is someone who stands up for what they believe in with the hope of making a change to society.

# Time to Think

How are the stories of Ruth and Samuel similar to the people we have learnt about today?



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The theme of this year's UK Black History Month is 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'.

What can we learn from Black individuals who have stood firm in the face of unfairness or challenge?



# Prayer

Dear God,  
We thank you for Black History Month and the opportunities to celebrate the contributions that Black Britons have made to this country over the centuries.

May this month be an opportunity for everyone to hear more about those men, women and children whose stories have previously gone unheard.

We consider these stories of struggle, suffering and success, and thank you for giving those brave individuals the courage, strength and faith to both survive and then thrive.

We also praise you for the histories that are still being made, and think of the next generation of young people who stand on the shoulders of giants.

This we ask in Jesus' wonderful name.

Amen.

**Go in the love of God...**

