



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH



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As we return to school, I wanted to thank the staff, students, parents and carers who shared in and contributed to Black History Month with us, last month. Black History Month is a time for us to recognise our collective history, celebrate culture and legacy and honour the people that have gone before us.

As part of our Black History Month celebrations, KS3 English classes have been working on their own versions of Benjamin Zephaniah's poem The British. They talked about belonging and what recipe we would give out to people if they wanted a recipe for Chaucer.

Here is our final version: a tribute to

Benjamin Zephaniah and a testament to the talent and dedication of our students. I'm sure you will agree that we have some incredibly creative young people at our school and an English department that brings out the best in them.

***"I am because we are"***

Thank you

Ms Scott,

Assistant Headteacher

Chaucer

By KS3 Chaucer students

Serves 900

Take a building, some grass and potential.

Crack-in support staff, cleaners and dinner ladies.

Add some pens, books and subjects.

Add a heap of lunch time and dubs,

Add 1 teaspoon of uniform.

Mix in a diverse array of people:

Different shapes and sizes, races and religions.

Blend in amusing lessons, funny teachers, and funnier students.

Sprinkle in respect, responsibility and kindness.

Plop in some support and love.

Mix everything together to create a well combined mixture.

Sieve in some mistakes and scatter in some corrections.

Discard any racism or discrimination.

Add in some squawking seagulls, clucking chickens and buzzing bees.

Stir with love.

Allow to sit to marinate letting everyone be themselves and unify.

Pour all batter in the baking dish- do not leave anyone behind!

Bake for five years,

Then let it cool. Enjoy the waft of friends and memories.

Finally, celebrate your successes: let people shine.

Dust with honesty and equality.

Serve it on a plate and name it...Chaucer.

Note: If served on Friday, must include Chicken Friday and Radnor fizz!

