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Black History Month

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year, our school theme for Black History Month is **'Record Breakers, History Makers'**, where we will celebrate ordinary people who have achieved extraordinary things. Throughout the month, we will highlight the many ways in which people can make history, emphasising that record breakers can come from everyday backgrounds and that you do not have to be famous to make a difference. We want to encourage our students to see themselves in these inspiring stories by celebrating Black achievement across a wide range of fields, including sport, music, science, education and the wider community. Most importantly, we aim to celebrate the diversity of Black achievement and challenge the idea that success has only one definition or looks a particular way.

To kickstart our celebrations, on Friday 16th October, we will be taking part in Show Racism the Red Card's 'Wear Red' day. Pupils should wear an item/items of red to school, with a contribution of £1. The proceeds will go towards supporting the charity's important mission to combat racism in society.

We will also be encouraging children to think about their own achievements and to challenge themselves to break their personal records. This could be anything from improving a sporting skill or completing a task more quickly, to learning something new or developing a personal talent. We would love for children to share their achievements with us by uploading a photo, video or short description of their personal record to Google Classroom, so that we can celebrate their efforts and inspire others.

Yours sincerely,

The Rockmount Team