



Newsletter Friday 9th October 2026

TONIGHT - ALL WELCOME!



**YES! IT'S BACK! CC BINGO NIGHT
FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER
FAB PRIZES, AND FUN**

**DOORS OPEN FROM
6.30PM
EYES DOWN FROM
7.00PM**

**BRING YOUR OWN FOOD
AND DRINK
BOOKS SOLD ON THE DOOR**

Black History Month 2026

While Black artists inspire and shape our culture every day of the year, October gives us a welcome opportunity to give their work some extra focus for Black History Month. Over the coming weeks, we'll be sharing a selection of painters, musicians, writers, and performers whose creativity continues to leave a lasting mark. Join us as we explore their stories and highlight their ongoing impact.

MICHAELA COEL

A trailblazing voice in contemporary screenwriting and performance, Michaela Coel has reinvigorated modern television with sharp originality and fearlessness. Through works like *Chewing Gum* and *I May Destroy You*, her writing addresses identity, trauma, and humour with rare authenticity and emotional

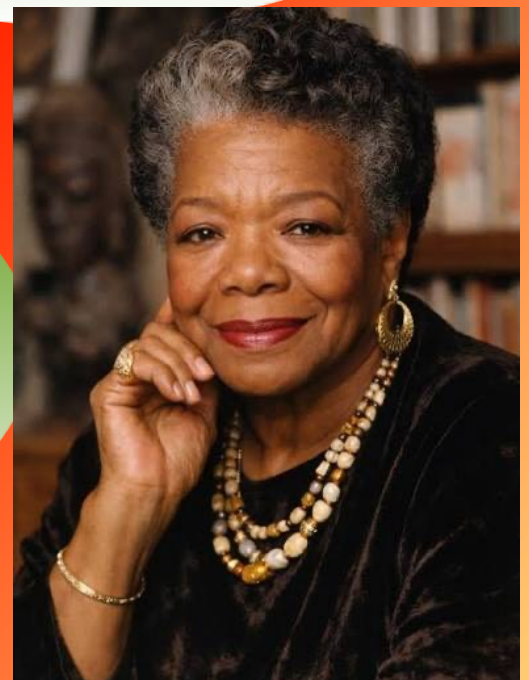


STEVIE WONDER

A child prodigy who grew into one of modern music's most influential visionaries, Stevie Wonder reshaped R&B, soul, and pop with his pioneering use of synthesizers and complex harmonies. His masterwork albums of the 1970s seamlessly fused funk, jazz, and social commentary. Wonder's catalogue remains a gold standard in songwriting, celebrated for its warmth, technical genius, and enduring joy.

MAYA ANGELOU

A master of language whose voice carried the weight of history and the lightness of hope, Maya Angelou transformed her personal trials into universal literature. Her poetry and memoirs, marked by rich rhythmic elegance and profound wisdom, served as a beacon for the Civil Rights Movement and beyond. Angelou's rare gift was making readers feel both deeply understood and fiercely empowered to rise above any obstacle.





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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026 AT 9.10AM

We are delighted to invite families to our whole-school Black History Month Celebration Assembly on Friday, 16th October at 9.10am.

This special assembly will be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community and celebrate the children's hard work, creativity, and learning throughout the month. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us!

**ALL SCHOOL EVENTS CAN
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROJECT 2026

TEXTILE DESIGN
Create bold geometric repeat-patterns based on traditional West African fabrics

HAIR AS ART
Create a self-portrait using black yarn, beads, and ribbons to celebrate beautiful, creative hairstyles

BRITISH TRAILBLAZERS
Create a profile or poster about modern Black British icons - who are they and what did they achieve? Lubaina Himid, Chris Ofili, Ncuti Gatwa, Malorie Blackman.....

THE LIVING CANVAS: BLACK VOICES, SHAPES & STORIES

POETRY IN MOTION
Write and illustrate a performance poem inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah

CLAY PINCH POTS
Sculpt and paint a clay pot inspired by traditional African pottery patterns

AFROFUTURISM ART
Design a futuristic city or fashion piece inspired by Marvel's Wakanda

STORY QUILTS
Design a fabric or paper square telling a family story, inspired by artist Faith Ringgold

This term, our whole-school project is celebrating the vibrant history, contemporary culture, and global impact of Black artists, innovators, and storytellers. We are asking children and families to create a piece of art, a 3D model, or a project that explores these brilliant perspectives. There are some fresh ideas here, but it's completely over to you!

There will be prizes for the most imaginative projects!

Project Due Date: Monday 12th October 2026



Please don't forget our Family Learning Project themed around ***"The Living Canvas: Black Voices, Shapes & Stories."*** While our whole-school focus this year is celebrating Black artists, storytellers, and innovators, please feel free to interpret the project however you like—anything goes! We know how wonderfully creative our Christ Church families are, whether you choose to make a piece of art, a 3D model, write poetry, or put together a research project. Our main goal is simply to showcase your talents and celebrate together. We can't wait to see what you create!

Project Due Date: Monday, 12th October 2026



BLACK HISTORY MONTH WORKSHOP

This morning, our children were treated to a fabulous and energetic Black History Month workshop. Allison introduced the children to the culture of Jamaica, looking at the language, songs and dances. The children practiced the dance 'Quadrille.' She also read the wonderful story Anansi the Spider - an African tale where the spider reflects on his heritage and culture.

It was a wonderful experience!

LATE COLLECTIONS AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY AND FROM AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We know just how hectic life gets, and we completely understand how stressful it feels when you're stuck in traffic or running late. However, late collections at the end of the school day and from after school club are really stressful for our staff, too.

Even a 5-minute delay can have a surprisingly big impact on our team. Our staff have regular meetings after school, they have heavy workloads to wrap up and some staff members have long commutes ahead of them and need to get home to their own families too.

We truly appreciate your understanding and support in helping our team finish their day on time. Please keep an eye out in the coming weeks, as we'll be sending out some updated guidelines for after-school clubs, which will include some further details around late collections.



COMING SOON...

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School Photographer
Tuesday 10th November 2026

The photographer will be here to take individual and sibling photos after half term.

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ODD SOCKS DAY
Monday 16th November 2026

***Get ready to celebrate what
makes us all unique!***

Odd Socks Day is coming soon to help us mark Friendship Week. It's a fun, bright, and simple way for children to express their individuality and show that it's okay to be different!

Contact us:

0207 735 1343 or admin@christchurchschool.cc

Don't forget to check out the website: www.christchurchschool.cc

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHURCH

A heartfelt thank you to all parents, pupils, and staff for making our Harvest Service such a joyful and generous celebration.

Your donations will support families through the Christ Church Brixton Road Foodbank.

If you or someone you know would benefit from this help, the foodbank is open every Tuesday from 10–11am.



**REMEMBRANCE DAY
& ALL SOULS** 

A SERVICE OF PRAYER, MEMORY & HOPE

COME, PRAY & REMEMBER
YOUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

****SERVICE DATE: 8th NOVEMBER.**

CHRIST CHURCH BRIXTON ROAD

SERVICE STARTS AT 11 AM

ALL SOULS CELEBRATION

-  **NAMES OF THE DEAD WILL BE READ**
 names of your departed loved ones will be called out during the service
-  **LIGHT A CANDLE IN REMEMBRANCE**
 We invite you to light a candle for those we love and miss



TO SUBMIT NAMES FOR READING, PLEASE ADD THEIR NAMES TO THE LIST AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE OR EMAIL fr.chidi@christchurchbr.org.uk BY NOVEMBER 6th

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Our Remembrance Sunday/All Souls Service will take place on Sunday 8th November at 11am at Christ Church Brixton Road. Families are warmly invited to send in the names of deceased relatives and friends to be read aloud during the service, and you will have the opportunity to light a candle in their memory.