Celebrating Black History: Heroes and Trailblazers

Step into the light of history with Ellie and Leo as we celebrate the remarkable stories that shape our world!

■ **Mary Seacole was a brave nurse who travelled a long way to care for soldiers during the Crimean War. She used her own money to set up the 'British Hotel' to provide food and medicine for those in need.**

■ **Walter Tull was a pioneer who became one of the first Black professional footballers in Britain and later became a brave officer in the British Army during the First World War.**

■ **Rosa Parks is remembered for her quiet courage. Her actions helped to change laws in the United States, proving that one person's decision can spark a movement for equality across the globe.**

■ **Benjamin Zephaniah was a brilliant British poet who used his rhythm and words to share stories about justice and peace, showing us that poetry is a powerful way to express our voices.**

■ **Black History Month encourages us to look at the past, but also to celebrate the innovators, scientists, and artists who are making history in our communities right now.**

Did you know? Did you know that Black History Month first started in the UK in 1987? It is a time when we celebrate the incredible achievements of Black people throughout history and look at the ways they have helped to make our society fairer and more creative today.

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