Celebrating Pioneers and Change-Makers

Learning objective: To recognise and appreciate the achievements of influential Black individuals throughout history and understand the importance of celebrating diversity.

Today, we are learning about history through the eyes of Ellie the elephant, who remembers the stories of brave and brilliant people who changed the world. Use this sheet to design a commemorative mural celebrating someone who has made a positive impact on our society.

Draw: Create a detailed mural design in the centre of the page. Include a central figure who is a historical or modern-day Black pioneer. Surrounding them, draw symbols that represent their specific contribution (for example, a telescope for a scientist, a quill for a writer, or a globe for an explorer). Use a vibrant colour palette to make the scene feel celebratory and bold. Ensure your drawing shows a sense of movement or progress, such as a path leading forward or a rising sun in the background.

Label words: Pioneer · Courage · Achievement · Equality · Inspiration · Community · Leadership · Legacy

Steps:

1. Identify one person from history or your community who has shown great courage. Explain why their actions were important for others.
2. Compare and contrast the challenges someone might have faced in the past with the opportunities we

have today. Justify your answer.

3. Label your drawing with three words from the word bank that describe the person you have chosen.

4. What might happen if we did not learn about the achievements of different people from history? Explain your reasoning.

5. How does celebrating Black History Month help our school community flourish? Give an example.

6. If you were to design a monument for a modern-day hero, what symbols would you include to represent their work? Describe them.