

Welcome

*An ANTI-RACIST APPROACH TO EDUCATION
Webinar*

Resource links/Info

Statistics : Tanya Brown-Griffith

Programme Director for the BAME Covid-19 Disparity Response Programme -

<https://www.sussexhealthandcare.uk/priority/supporting-bame-communities-during-covid-19/>

Significant disparities exist across Sussex in Education - a few statistics to share:

From the 2019/20 School Census, approximately 20% of Sussex pupils in primary & special schools and 18% of Secondary pupils in pupil referral units are from BAME groups – especially mixed background – This is an over-representation compared to the % BAME student in the school population.

Also in 2019/20 a lower percentage of Sussex pupils from Asian and Black BAME groups were assessed as meeting expected standards of development at 4/5 years.

Black pupils in Brighton and Hove and West Sussex have, on average, lower Attainment in GCSEs

Young Black and Mixed students were more likely to have temporary school exclusions and this likelihood increases for permanent exclusions (2 to 3 times more likely) when compared to any other ethnic groups. This is 2 to 5 times more likely when compared to white students in East and West Sussex.

There are more Black 16-18 years old who are Not in Education, Employment or Training

Dr Mandy Curtis

Director of 18 Hours Ltd, Consultant and Senior Lecturer at University of Brighton

[Crowdfunding to donate books to schools as part of The Open Minds Project initiatives to increase the number of books that depict black people positively. on JustGiving](#)

[Fundraiser by Lisa Haygarth : Multicultural School Book Fund \(gofundme.com\)](#)

www.18hours.org.uk

Further Resources Shared:

- [GCSE English and maths results - GOV.UK Ethnicity facts and figures \(ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/ethnicity-facts-figures)
- [Temporary exclusions - GOV.UK Ethnicity facts and figures \(ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/ethnicity-facts-figures)
- <https://www.ymca.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/ymca-young-and-black.pdf>
- www.thisisbooklove.com -multicultural book supplier.
- <https://czone.eastsussex.gov.uk/media/7073/race-equality-guidance.pdf>
- Judy Richards = Sussex Racial Equality Action Project wants to help build on these by giving people space for open discussions to agree what we discuss and address next. We have the Sussex wide police and mental health trust so think there is value in working across Sussex on some things but we need to hear community views on this. We want to work in partnership with organisations like DRI for best use of our time and other resources. Our first meeting will be a safe space for Afrikan (African and Caribbean), Asian and minority ethnic people in East Sussex. Our 15th March meeting will be open to allies. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-do-we-tell-the-un-about-racism-in-sussex-tickets-142564154223?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch>

Marley Dias - Netflix series called Bookmarks which highlights black fiction for young children.