

NEWSFLASH: Heritage Chronicles

“500 Years of Black London” - Heritage Walk 1

**Delivered by SI Martin
On behalf of Croydon Supplementary Education Project
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On Saturday 24th November 2007**

SUMMARY

**Meeting point: Westminster Tube Station 10.00am
(entrance opposite parliament)
End: Covent Garden 12.00pm**

It was a cold crisp morning when a group of 49 people made up of students from the Supplementary School, parents, teachers and members from the local community and wider public attended the Heritage Walk 1. Along the route we were taken back in time to hear and learn about the lives of heroes, historical figures and ordinary people who lived and work and contributed to the building of and economic rise of London over the last 500 years. Below is a summary of the key words that will wet your appetite and encourage you to do further reading and investigative work to find out more about our intertwined shared history!!

KEY WORDS

1. **Ignatius Sancho** – owned a shop on **King Charles Street** (see attached plaque)
2. **John Glover**
3. **Charlotte Gardener**
4. **Jean Blanc**- royal black trumpeter in **Henry V111 court**
5. **Black Settlement in Clerkenwell** – first attempt of expulsion from UK
6. **Gordon Riots 1780** – took place over 4 days and 4 nights
7. **William Cuffay** – married in **St Martins in the fields** church
8. **Nelson column** in Trafalgar square – **shows black military in Nelsons army**
9. **Ottobah Cuguano & Olaudah Equiano** – worshipped in **St Martins in the fields church**
10. **Mary Seacole** – lived at No 1 Tavistock Street (now Wagamama restaurant) in **Covent garden** after the War (now has a plaque)
11. **Black settlement in St Giles** – **the coffee houses**
12. **William Hogarth**-**paintings**
13. **William Davidson**
14. **Robert Wedderburn**
15. **Sierra Leone** resettlement of the **“Black Poor”**
16. **West India Regiment**

17. Slave ship ZONG

“Black Gold –City of London Walk” -Heritage Walk 2

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Meeting point: Liverpool Street Tube Station 2.00pm
End: The Tower of London 4.00pm**

During this walk we learnt about the “movers and shakers” and explored and examined the role of financial and other establishments in the Transatlantic Slave Trade. This was a unique opportunity to gain information on how the City of London provided the money for the many “Slaving” voyages. How other institutions in the city insured the human cargoes and traded plantation goods. We also learnt how to recognise the buildings and areas in the City of London borne out of Transatlantic Slavery.

KEY WORDS CONTINUED

18. **St Botolph Church**
19. **The London Tavern – West India**
20. **George Hibbert – one of the “West India Merchants”**
21. **William Beckford - Lord Mayor of London**
22. **“The South Sea Company” –granted the licences to trade in Slaves**
23. **(Sir) Humphrey Morris – 1st governor of the Bank of England**
24. **The Royal Exchange**
25. **Lombard Street**
26. **William Wilberforce**
27. **John Newton**
28. **Birchin Lane**
29. **“The Jamaica Coffee House”**
30. **Henry Thornton**
31. **Hoare – A Quaker but also financed the slave trade (now C Hoare & Co bank today)**
32. **John Hawkins**
33. **Isle of Dogs**
34. **Life span of a Slave – approximately 4 to 6years**

- 35. Phillip Scipio**
- 36. George Thomas**
- 37. James Cato**
- 38. The 1914 – 1918..... 1st World War Memorial (in Byward Street opposite The Tower of London) showing many Caribbean, African & Asian names**