



# Paul Stephenson

Birthday Celebration



# What are civil rights?

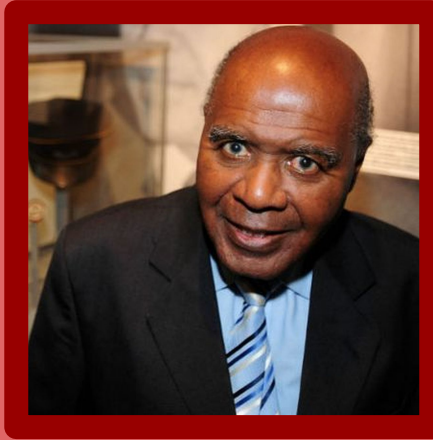
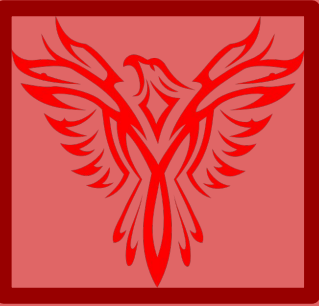
## civil rights

- the rights of citizens to political and social freedom and equality.

You cannot be discriminated against based on your:

Age, race, sex, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, pregnancy, familial status, disability, veteran status

## **What did Dr Paul Stephenson do?**



**In 1964 Stephenson achieved national fame when he refused to leave a pub until he was served, resulting in a trial on a charge of failing to leave a licensed premises.**

**Until the late 1960s, it was not illegal in Britain to discriminate against someone because of their race. The Bristol Bus Boycott was the country's first black-led campaign against racial discrimination, and it was the beginning of the struggle for racial equality in the UK.**

**Stephenson left Bristol to work in Coventry as a Senior Community Relations Officer. In 1972 he went to London to work for the Commission for Racial Equality.**

**Paul Stephenson was a social worker who in 1963 with the help of the West Indian Development Council led the Bristol Bus Boycott**

**In 1988 Stephenson received the Bristol City Council Community Award for Achievement and Services Rendered to the Black Community and the West Indian Community Publishers Award.**

# Why are we celebrating his birthday?

It is important to remember what Paul did for his community especially everyone in Bristol. He helped highlight the racism that black people face regularly and encourage us to stand up for what is right.

He is important to our house as he teaches us to stand up for what we believe in and not take anything for granted. Everyday we are inspired by him to be better and work to achieve the best we can.



# How does Paul Stephenson's work link to our house values?

## Our RED values stand for;

- **RESPECT-** Being considerate and honoring the feelings, opinions, and property of others. Self-respect Being good to myself and not putting myself down; taking care of myself. Self-discipline Making responsible choices in what I say and do to reach my personal goals.
- **EQUALITY-**the belief that all people are of equal worth and are entitled to equal respect.
- **DETERMINATION-** Those who succeed through sheer grit.

# *What can we learn?*

*Make  
positive  
change*

*Show  
acceptance*

*Receive  
equality*

*Respect others*

*Being  
inclusive*

*Stand up to  
what we  
believe in*

# **What are we doing to celebrate** **his birthday?**

- Student leadership assemblies to all houses in school.
- Visit to see Paul Stephenson in person on his birthday.
- Balloon arch in red at the top of school
- All teachers on Friday 6th May to read an extract from his book at the start of each period to learn about his story.
- Vertical house tutor quiz- date tbc
- Paul Stephenson scavenger hunt for fun fix friday- Friday 6th May