

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is Black History Month. In addition to the ways our kids are celebrating the month in school, there are many opportunities in the Boston area to learn about and recognize Black History, including art, activities, and music.

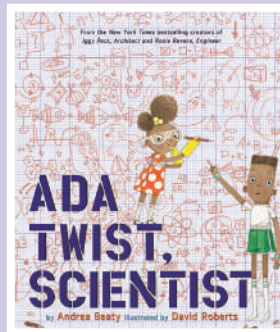
Westwood's libraries and the libraries at each elementary school have many titles relevant to Black History Month, and together with Inclusive Westwood the district has compiled grade-appropriate lists of books with diverse protagonists. Encourage your child to check out any of the titles referenced in the links below. If your child can't find one, librarians love book donations! Buy one and donate it after you read it together.

CHECK OUT THESE BOOKS!

To access these book lists, look in the "Talking About Race with our Children" section on the district's parent programming page:

<http://www.westwood.k12.ma.us/district/superintendents-office/parent-programming/index.cfm>

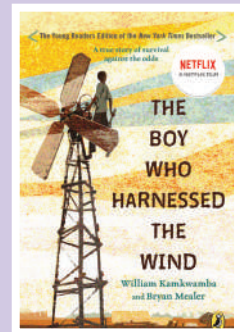
K-1 READING LIST



2-3 READING LIST



4-5 READING LIST



FEBRUARY

BLACK HERITAGE TRAIL (self-guided tours can be conducted at any time)
Similar to the Freedom Trail, the The Black Heritage Trail explores the history of the 19th century African American community of Boston. Includes the Abiel Smith School and the African Meeting House.

FEB 17, 1 -3 PM

BOSTON CHILDREN'S MUSEUM—STORY QUILTS An important part of Black and African American culture in North America for many years, telling stories and sharing history. Share your family's story and add it to a collaborative Story Quilt.

FEB 19—FEB 22

MARY BAKER EDDY LIBRARY A fun-filled week of educational programming, exploring true and inspiring stories of achievement. Workshops require registration, art activities, film screenings, and Mapparium tours do not.

FEB 20, 10:30 AM

JFK LIBRARY—ROSA'S RIDE With original songs, inspirational scenes, and exciting dances traces how Rosa Parks handled various experiences of discrimination which sparked the modern civil rights movement.

FEB 23, 2 PM

DAVIS MUSEUM, WELLESLEY, MA Join a Student Guide for a drop-in tour celebrating Black History Month. Tours will focus on the arts of Africa and the African Diaspora in the Davis Museum permanent collections.

FEB 28, 6 -8 PM

BOSTON CHILDREN'S CHOIR The Boston Children's Chorus perform at Hibernian Hall. The concert tells the stories of the Civil Rights Movement's hidden women.