







### What is it?

LGBT+ History Month is an opportunity for learning and celebration of the past, present and futures of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, non-binary, queer and intersex people and communities.

# Why are we recognising and celebrating it?

We value the diversity of our student and staff population and are committed to creating a culture and environment where everyone is welcome and thrives in their school community.

#### Why was LGBT+ History Month created?

UK LGBT+ History Month was created to:

- recognise the history of LGBT+
- celebrate present achievements of LGBT+
- create a more inclusive future for LGBT+

We wanted to create a dedicated opportunity to share our rich and diverse history so everyone could learn more.



### Who is it for?

You might think LGBT+ History Month is specifically for people who are LGBT+ themselves. In fact, it is for everyone and an opportunity for all of us to reflect on and celebrate the diversity within our communities.

As a student at The Kingsway School you are already a part of a very diverse community filled lots of different people from different backgrounds who all think and feel different things.

At Kingsway we recognise the importance of celebrating diversity and learning about people who are different to ourselves. This prepares you to live and work alongside them in school and beyond.





### LGBT+ Manchester

# PAST PRESENT FUTURE





#### **Mark Ashton**

Mark Ashton was a gay activist from Oldham in Greater Manchester and was responsible for founding the Lesbians and Gays Support the Miners group.

This alliance of young LGBT+ people banded together to raise money to support the mineworkers during the great strike of 1984-1985. It was a powerful moment where very different groups of people came together to stand up for each other.

As a result of their hard work and support hundreds of miners returned their efforts and marched in the 1985 London Pride Parade as an act of solidarity with the LGBT+ people who had fought to help them.





# What is this year's theme?

The UK 2024 LGBT+ History Month theme is:

#### **Medicine – #UnderTheScope**

The 2024 theme celebrates LGBT+ peoples' contribution to the field of Medicine and Healthcare both historically and today.

We want to showcase the amazing work of LGBT+ staff across the NHS and in other healthcare settings, in providing healthcare, especially during the pandemic.

Whilst still shining a light on the history of the LGBT+ community's experience of receiving healthcare which has been extremely complicated leaving LGBT+ people still facing health inequalities even today.





## George Ward / Cherry Valentine



# LGBT-History Month

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For LGBT+ History Month 2024



#### Get Involved!

To recognise and celebrate the achievements of the LGBT+ community within medicine, each form will create a display in their form room throughout February which will acknowledge the likes of:

- Sophia Jex Blake
- Cecil Belfield Clarke
- Margaret Stacey
- Ewan Forbes
- George Ward/Cherry Valentine

Each form will receive a display pack of backing paper and border roll to get them started.

The rest is up to you!

Each display will be judged by members of the leadership and year team.

Achievement points will be given to the best displays in each year group.

These displays will also be posted on our website and social media.



Need to talk to someone about today's topic?

# Remember you can always speak to your Form Tutor, AHOY or HOY

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https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/advice-for-life-situations-and-events/mental-health-support-if-you-are-gay-lesbian-bisexual-lgbtq/

https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/lgbt qia-mental-health/useful-contacts/





