

Aspire Curriculum Knowledge Organiser: Global/Current Affairs

Big Question: Do you think you live in a fair world?

Year 5 Summer 2



What? Key Knowledge Takeaways

*Global inequality: The pandemic has caused a further 75m people in India to move into poverty.

*Currently (April/May 2021) India has the highest daily Covid-19 cases in the world but the country does not have enough vaccines.

*Black Lives Matter (BLM) is a social movement protesting against incidents of police brutality and all racially motivated violence against black people.

*BLM has been reignited in 2020 due to the death of George Floyd. This has had a global impact where many countries have highlighted this cause (including famous celebrities and sports stars).

*The BLM movement has also been highlighting inequality in the UK. Acceptance of diversity (differences) is being widely discussed in the UK.











	Who? Famous People		
	Nelson Mandela	He was a South African anti-apartheid activist and political leader who served as President of South Africa from 1994 to 1999. He was the country's first black head of state and the first elected in a fully representative democratic election.	
	Rosa Parks	Born in 1913, she was an American civil rights activist and was best known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott. She died in 2005.	
	Martin Luther King Jr.	He was an African American Christian minister and became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the American civil rights movement but was assassinated in 1968 at 39 years old.	
	George Floyd	He was a 47 year old American who died after a police officer knelt on his neck for 8 minutes and 46 seconds. This reignited the Black Lives Matter movement in March 2020.	
]	Greta Thunberg	She is a Swedish environmental activist who is internationally known for challenging world leaders to take immediate action on climate change.	

Key Vocabulary	Definition
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Diversity	The existence of variations of different characteristics in a group of people.
Inequality	The unequal and/or unjust distribution of resources and opportunities among a society.
Poverty	To be poor and not have enough income or possessions for a person's basic needs.
Protest	A protest is a public expression of objection, disapproval or dissent towards an idea or action, typically a political one.