

## **Slave Trade Abolition in Cambridgeshire & Suffolk (STACS)**

The STACS project is part of a national programme of education events and activities marking the 200th anniversary of the 1807 Abolition of the Slave Trade Act. STACS is managed by St John's College, Cambridge and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. It aims to raise awareness of the highly significant, yet often overlooked role played by Thomas Clarkson and Olaudah Equiano within the slave trade abolition movement in East Anglia.

In the Summer Term enactors Patrick Nielsen and Stephanie Peddel worked with students at school to explore the roles of Clarkson and Equiano and produce performances for peers, the wider school community and family.

For tonight's event students have been asked to prepare a 15-minute presentation covering three areas;

**Why should Thomas Clarkson be remembered?**

(Exploring the need for a memorial to Clarkson in Ipswich)

**How did Clarkson work with others?**

(Acknowledging Clarkson's partnerships with local activists such as Olaudah Equiano, national organisers such as Granville Sharp and William Wilberforce and his efforts to campaign against the slave trade internationally. Recognising that the abolitionist movement was part of a complex history including slave resistance and other factors, which led to the success of the campaign)

**How should Clarkson be remembered?**

(Imagining what form would a memorial might take)

Three schools from Cambridge (Chesterton Community College, Cottenham Village College and Impington Village College) presented their ideas at a separate event. The best ideas from both Counties will be drawn together and presented to the fellows at St John's College in November

The final outcome of the STACS project will be the publication of new curriculum material, written by experienced educational writers and distributed to all schools in Cambridgeshire and Suffolk, with potential for a national launch in 2008. The schools presenting this evening have played an important role by helping to evaluate these materials

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St John's College  
University of Cambridge



together with

Holbrook High School  
Holywells High School  
Thurleston High School

present

### **Why should Ipswich remember Thomas Clarkson?**

Wednesday 10 October 2007  
Ipswich Caribbean Association  
6.30pm

## School teams

### Holbrook High School

**Students** Emelia Christofidis, Alex Dell, Maia Green, Joshua Ling, Peter Loveland, Natalie Mackenzie-Spooner and Georgia Whayman. **Support from** Hannah Byrne. **Thanks to** Rob Sherington for his support. Ann Mathias (school librarian) for supporting students' research.

### Holywells High School

**Students** Ryan Barber, Emily Boyton, Blake Dunnage, Ryan Day, Curtis Garrett, Byron Ingham, Martina Jarrett, Joanne Mills, Kyle Parrish, Charley Powell, James Williams.  
Helped by George Andrew, Megan Blanchard, Sian Brannigan, Rebecca Burch, Cameron Graham, Syreeta Jarrett, Ella Osborn, Hindu Shashu, Shemiah Smith.  
**Support from** Leah Towlson. **Thanks to** Dale Banham, Lesley Walker, Derek Merrill, Stephanie Peddel and Patrick Nielsen And Holywells staff T. Duffel, R. Everard, M. Kirkham, R. Rozier, K. Talmadge, M. Thurkettle, C. Willis.  
**Many thanks to the parents!**

### Thurleston High School

**Students** Charlotte Beckett, Beth Clapson, Sarah Clarke, Emily Cobbold, Ross Faversham, Will Girling, Megan Goldsmith, Kerry Hunter, Blanche McDade, Liam Mouser, Lucia Ng, Andrew Tarrant, James Smith, Katherine Taylor, Ross Watcham. **Support from** Sarah Asher. **Thanks to** the STACS team, Dale Banham, parents for their support, Thurleston High School staff for allowing release time, Alex Wright for her artistic input and inspiration.

**Compère** Mervin Henry, presenter, Ebony Eye, BBC Radio Suffolk.

**Judges** Antoine Ingram (Project Manager, ICA), David Jones (Keeper of Human History, Ipswich Museum), Lesley Walker (Heritage Learning Officer, Suffolk County Council) and Del White (Director, nia Project).

**Music** Ipswich Caribbean Youth Steel Band **Band leader** Trevor Jones (07941025099 or 01473 230656).

**Food** Catering by the ICA.

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## Programme

6.30-8.30pm

Music

Introduction

Thurleston High School

Holbrook High School

Holywells High School

Short break & Music

Announcements

Acknowledgements

Refreshments