

SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD



Watch the video section that tells the story of Anthony Walker and which gives his mother's opinions. Then listen to the interview with his brother.

While you do, think about the following:

- How did you feel when you read or heard about Anthony's story?
- If you were in Dominique of Gee's position would you be able to forgive Anthony's killers?
- What words of support would you offer the Walker family?
- What do you think should be included in the Walker Foundation's annual festival to encourage young people to respect each other's differences?

TASK 1

Your task is to write a letter to Anthony's family to convey your feelings and offering support for them. Think carefully about what could be done to encourage people to accept differences. Write your letter on the next page. Think about:

- The address
- The date
- The structure of a letter (introduction, paragraphs etc, sign off)
- Cohesion of your paragraphs
- Use the correct tense and person
- Include information about racism – give opinions and feelings
- Punctuation

Challenge:

As an extra activity, and for the competition, can you create a piece of art work or creative writing to show why we must eliminate racism in our society and why we must accept difference and diversity? You could:

- Write a poem
- Paint/draw a poster
- Write story
- Be an agony aunt solving problems

Write your letter here:

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I am writing to you because of your child's death and I feel really sad because to murder someone that has a different skin colour is really racist and I don't think it is at all acceptable .

If I were you, I don't know if I would forgive these people but I think you don't forgive them it will make you feel a part of them like a criminal but you don't want to be one - I don't think anyone wants to be a criminal . Today I have just heard of this tragic news and I will try to support you because this is unfair and is also a good thing to do to support people with these bad and dreadful situations.

How were you able to forgive such a horrendous crime?

I admire the way that you have forgiven the killers of your son but if I were in your position I don't know if I would be so good to them because if this happened to someone in my family I would definitely not forgive them because I love each and every one of them and it would be impossible for me to forgive such a crime .

I will help you and your family in the Walker Foundation but can you please tell me what to do.

Should I give flowers or donate a basketball and a basketball shirt because I know how much he liked basketball but also wanted to be a helpful.

I can also help by organising a basketball tournament for all the children that were Anthony's friends and will try to show them that even if you have a different skin colour we are not different only because of the colour skin we have and I want to encourage them to be nice to each other not fighting and talking about differences but our similarities.

Yours sincerely Alek Mitev.

