Tackling Racism in Schools
Some Lessons from the UK

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A long history of slavery & colonialism...
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Colonial subjects were recruited to help Britain get back on its feet...
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A crude diet of racism...
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Adjusting to life in the inner-cities, often in sub-standard housing ...
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Black parents and enlightened teachers set up Supplementary schools...
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A multi-cultural diet of ‘steel bands and samosas’...
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“...all schools should be informed by a policy that recognises the pernicious and all-pervasive nature of racism...and the need to confront it”.

The MacDonald Report
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Stephen Lawrence & the MacPherson Report...
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A range of dolls, toys and books...
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Schools have developed more explicit behaviour codes...
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Recruitment drives to increase the number of ethnic minority teachers...
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Managers must collect data on racially motivated incidents...

Chart 2 - Type and number of Pupil incidents 01/02 v 02/03

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<th>Type</th>
<th>01/02</th>
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<td>Racial</td>
<td>131</td>
<td>417</td>
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<td>Homophobic</td>
<td>58</td>
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01/02 PLASC Total Pupils - 32083   Pupils in Returns - 6361
02/03 PLASC Total Pupils - 31526   Pupils in Returns - 22029
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Many teachers have successfully transformed the attitudes of their students...
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Some useful weblinks...

Advice & Guidance
Commission for Equality and Human Rights: www.cehr.org.uk

Multi-cultural books
Letterbox Library:  www.letterboxlibrary.com
Tamarind Books: www.tamarindbooks.co.uk

Good Practice examples
OFSTED:  www.ofsted.gov.uk

Staff Training & curriculum resources
My website: www.front-line-training.co.uk