



# BMECS

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# EDUCATION IS THE KEY



# P A P A P R O J E C T

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## Programme for the Advancement of Personal Achievement

A holistic educational project aimed at bringing young people together of various ages, who have similar thoughts and ideas about the social issues facing young Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) groups within the West Sussex area. Through workshops that inform, educate and empower young people to focus on their goals in life and achieve them.



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West Sussex



## Objective:

To change the views and perception of young BAME people about education, police and life in general, and equally the community's views about working together in a multi-cultural society. We want those in authority to be more aware of the consequences of their actions towards young BAME people, and understand the impact that this has on their daily lives. Our approach is based on an old African philosophy that 'the village raises the child'.

## Aims:

To develop and promote alternative strategies for educational and career development of young Black Asian Minority Ethnic groups from secondary level through to further education, with an emphasis on preventing NEET's (Not in Education Employment or Training). To share information in meaningful ways with the community at large and to provide leadership role models and mentors for young BAME people in the West Sussex coastal strip.

### Some specific issues the Project will be addressing :

- **Social and mental wellbeing** of young diverse BAME groups who have been marginalised. What impact is the educational system having on their lives.
- **Culture & Identity**. How important is your culture/religion ? Do you think this is being respected at school?
- **Teenage sexual health & wellbeing**. What is your responsibility with regards to sexual relations and your partner HIV and AIDS?
- **Drug & Alcohol misuse**. How is this affecting their social development and future aspirations?
- **Crime & anti-social behaviour**. Does crime pay? What are the consequences and who are the victims?
- **Domestic violence**. How does this affect a young person's education and mental development?
- **Single parents**. What added pressures/problems does this present for young BAME people?

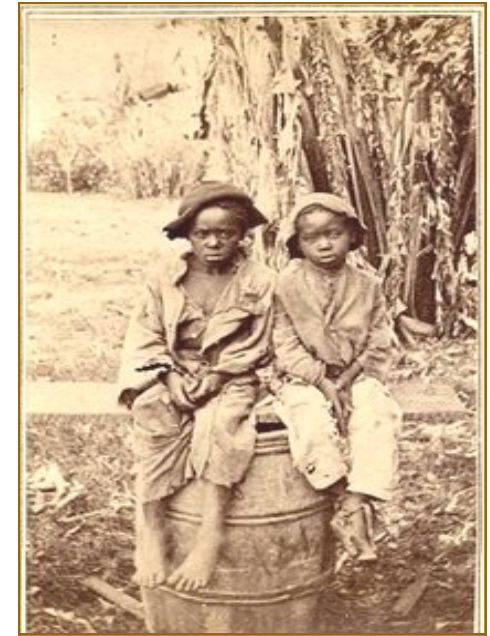


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## EVERY CHILD MATTERS



**If you love children and you are concerned about the future prospects for young people, then PAPA is who you need to talk to. We give young people the opportunity to change the future, by building self-esteem, confidence & empowering them to be leaders by giving them a platform to freely express themselves in a forum that is tailor made to their own specifications.**