

## Welcome to Selvon House

I'm Ms Garnett and I'm Head of Selvon House.

As a history teacher, I am thrilled to be the Head of Selvon as our house is named after Sam Selvon, a migrant from Trinidad who came to Britain in the 1950s during the Windrush generation. He wrote books such as 'The Lonely Londoners' and 'The Housing Lark' about his experiences as a migrant in London. His 1956 novel 'The Lonely Londoners' is groundbreaking as he wrote it in creolised English, or "nation language". He was one of the first migrants to write honestly about his experiences - both the good and the bad. To find out more [read this article](#) about him.

I want Selvon to be a house where lots of students, across all the year groups, want to get involved and want to take part in the activities on offer.

It has been great to see so many students already taking part in lots of the house activities. There will be lots of competitions coming up throughout the year, such as chess, scrabble and science, as well as weekly interhouse tutor time competitions.

Raising money for charity is important to our house and the Selvon charity ambassadors from Years 7-11 meet every Wednesday to work on this. The ambassadors have been come up with some great ideas and have lots of ambitious ideas for our future fundraising events, look out for things like movie night or Christmas grotto!

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