

# RESPECT FOR OTHERS

Acceptance and tolerance, Courtesy and politeness, Listening to others,  
Respectful language, Appreciation, Discretion, Diplomacy



“Justice for Stephen is about all of us, every one of us, in society having justice. There are still too many young people who do not have a sense of hope, who just don’t get the chance to live their dreams. I want all our children and young people to feel inspired, be confident and have hope in their own future. We are building hope but there is more to do.” Baroness Lawrence, 2013.

**Doreen Lawrence, Baroness Lawrence of Clarendon** is the mother of Stephen Lawrence, a black British teenager who was murdered in a racist attack in South East London in 1993. Since then she has worked for “an inclusive society for everyone to live their best life, regardless of gender, race, sexuality, religion, disability or background”.

She set up the Stephen Lawrence Charitable Trust, where her work as an outstanding diplomat, representing the “people’s interest at the highest level” and gaining “public support on social causes”.

Stephen Lawrence juggled an active social life, school work, family commitments, and part-time employment. But he also had ambitions to use his talent for maths, art, and design to become an architect, and wanted to have a positive impact on his community.

Tragically, his dream of becoming an architect was never realised. On 22 April 1993, at the age of just 18, Stephen was murdered in an unprovoked racist attack. He didn’t know his killers and his killers didn’t know him.

After the initial police investigation, five suspects were arrested but not convicted. A public inquiry into the handling of Stephen’s case was held in 1998, leading to the publication of the Macpherson Report, which has been called ‘one of the most important moments in the modern history of criminal justice in Britain’.