



**Bullying-how
does this affect
attendance,
what can we
do?**



Lesson 3: Who was Nelson Mandela?

- Nelson Mandela was born on 18th July 1918, the son of a chief of the Thembo people. He died on 5th December 2013.
- Mandela was the first member of his family to go to school. He recognised that education was important and later campaigned for all South African children to have access to schooling.
- Mandela spent most of his life fighting racial prejudice and seeking equal rights for black people. He became a lawyer and fought against injustice.
- The African National Congress was formed in 1912 and aimed to bring together African people to fight for change and equal rights.
- Mandela joined the African National Congress in 1942 and became involved with setting up its youth league.



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- In 1948 the Nationalist party of South Africa introduced a new policy of apartheid or separateness. This meant that white and black people had to live, learn and spend their leisure time separately.
- To challenge the new policy of apartheid the African National Congress started a campaign of civil disobedience.
- In 1963 Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment for political offences. He served 27 years as a prisoner.
- In 1993 Mandela and the white South African president shared the Nobel Peace Prize.
- In 1994, Mandela became the first black president of South Africa.

