

ASHTON HEWITT

HERITAGE

Born in Newport, Ashton's influences beyond Wales came from Jamaican, Caribbean heritage.

Language, music, and "respect and relationships" shaped how he treated people.

Windrush-generation stories, what they faced and overcame, gave him a perspective he carried into life and sport.

WALES MEANS...

PRIDE UNDERDOG TOGETHERNESS

Ashton was biracial and "racialised as Black," even though he was "just as much white" as he is Black.

In rugby he was often the only Black boy in the team, learning early when he belonged, and when he didn't.

He represented Wales with pride, yet still got told he "can't be Welsh."



RUGBY

CONTRIBUTION

Rugby gave Ashton a platform: a one-club man at the Dragons and their second all-time try scorer.

He was capped for Wales U20s and called into senior Wales squads, even when injuries stopped a full cap.

But what mattered most was speaking honestly, so young people felt "less alone" and knew someone was fighting for them.

STRENGTHS & JOY

"Change" is joy - when a tough conversation lands and someone says, "I'm glad we had this conversation."

“YOUR EXPERIENCES ARE REAL. DON'T LET ANYONE TELL YOU DIFFERENT.

IF YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE YOU BELONG SOMEWHERE, THEN THAT SPACE DOESN'T DESERVE TO HAVE YOU IN IT. ”