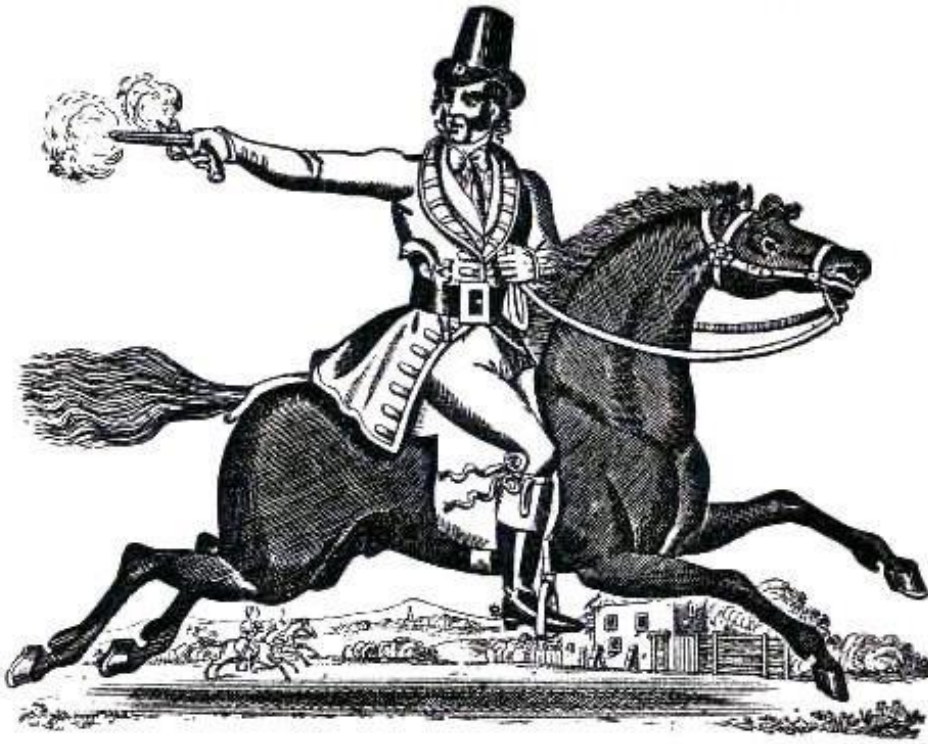


# Crime and Punishment



Dick Turpin and Black Bess



1839 + Bures School

## Wonderland Class Newsletter

### This term...

We will have a History focus for the first half term, when we will be studying Crime and Punishment as a theme through the ages. To support our learning, we will be visiting Essex Police Museum on the 22nd May 2024. Alongside this, in Science, we will study the human circulation system through an Animals including Humans topic. For the second half term we will be studying light refraction. In English we are writing a Newspaper Report about a crime from a Fairy-tale before writing spooky stories based upon short films and having a go at redrafting some earlier pieces that we have written this year in readiness for writing assessment. We will also produce extended written pieces linked to our topic and science work. In maths we will be recapping all that we have learnt this year in readiness for SATs (the week of 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024) before moving to project-based work to apply our learning. In art we will study the works of Romero Britto (a Brazilian pop artist) before attempting to make our own version of overlay and multimedia art. For D and T, we are hoping to make some Brazilian food to share. In PSHE we are discussing the effects of smoking, alcohol and drugs before we will be covering sex education in the second half term. A separate letter will follow shortly to advise you of this. In RE we will be studying Buddhism (Refuge) and Humanism (Happiness) and we will be learning to speak about sports and interests in French.

We will be offering Bikeability for the children in the second half term split across three groups. Each of the groups will receive two days of instruction and support to achieve the Bikeability award. The children will need a bike to participate so please let us know if this will cause any difficulties. On the 24<sup>th</sup> May we will be attending Crucial Crew in Sudbury. This is a brilliant opportunity for the children to develop essential life skills.

Summer: Year 6 Class Newsletter

We will be performing an end of year production with Year 5 at the Quay Theatre on the 1<sup>st</sup> July. Further details about what the final choice for the performance is and when and what the auditions will be, will follow in due course. As always, the children will be helping me to choose the show that they want to perform for you.

### Class team...

The class team are: Mrs Vicky Holmes (Class Teacher); Mrs Lyndsey Simpson (Class LSA Monday to Friday) and Mrs Kerry Pope (HLTA) who will be teaching the class every Tuesday and Thursday morning at this term. As a team we are here to support you and your child as much as possible. If you need to speak to any of us, please send a message via the office or Seesaw, or to arrange for an appointment for a longer consultation either write in your child's planner or calling in to the school office. We welcome parents' involvement as much as possible.

### How you can help at home...

**Helping your child to be independent** and get their belongings ready for each school day will encourage the right mindset while at school too, and help to prepare them for the expectation next year. Arriving promptly at school in the mornings will help the children to prepare for the day and be ready to learn *at 8.40am*. PE sessions will take place on a Wednesday (myself) and Thursday (Mr Barnes) so please make sure your child is wearing their PE kit in school during these times. Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing as PE will often be outside. If we are lucky enough to have a hot spell this summer Sun cream and a sun hat would be useful too!

Please be aware that homework will be set every week. **It will usually consist of pages from the Achieve 100 books, although this will change post-SATs.** Helping them is encouraged but please do not do it for them and let me know if there are any issues. You can always just write a brief note to say whether you have helped your child or they have worked independently. That will help us judge their progress more accurately. The end of the day is a better time to talk privately.