Dear Parents and Carers,

The Year 3 topic theme this half term is 'Heroes and Villains'. We will be finding out about the real Highwayman, Dick Turpin, through studying various historical sources from the 18th and 19th century. Even





hero or a villain. What do we think? We will also look at the events of The Great Train Robbery in 1963.

today people cannot agree whether Dick Turpin was a

In history, we will learn about the changes in crime and punishment from the Anglo-Saxons to

the present day. We will learn about the heroic resistance of Queen Boudicca and understand how the Roman Empire affected different people and how they felt and reacted to the changes that were being made.



In geography, we will be using the eight points of a

compass like villainous pirates to build our knowledge of the wider world, identifying the position and significance of the Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, latitude and longitude.

HOME PROJECT - Find a hero from history to research and talk about and present a 3 minute presentation to the class on Thursday 29th March.

Thank you, The Year 3 Team.

How can you help at home?

Maths to practise at home: ask your child to tell the time; when you are shopping ask your child to add amounts of money and work out the change; encourage your child to practise their 2, 5, 10, 3 and 4 times tables.

Read at home: listen to your child read regularly; share books together at home; record any reading they do in their reading records.

Label belongings: please help us by naming your child's uniform, PE kit and belongings.

Nine Acres Primary School Spring Term 2 Year 3 Team













Parent Information Leaflet



English

Our class text is the poem 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. Children love this classic poem as it tells a tale of villains, spooky settings, romance, soldiers, and betrayal with imaginative vocabulary.

Beware of the Highway robber who's described in detail with effective prepositions in our WANTED! posters.



Would you travel through these spooky woods? We will be using a variety of HARPERS, WEEKLY sentences for effect to create suspense and tension in our

WANTED!

HIGHWAY ROBBERY

spooky setting descriptions, read all about it through our Newspaper reports that retell those fateful events of the poem using organizational features and fronted adverbials.

Law and Order! We will write a formal letter of complaint to the



Town Mayor, in role as a disgruntled local villager, demanding something be done about this treacherous villain



R.E.

In R.E we will be looking at The Cross as a Christian symbol. We will be discussing the difference between symbols and pictures. We will then consider various crosses in the context of the Easter Story, describing how different crosses have different meanings for Christians.

Mathematics

We start with Geometry in the first week back, identifying right angles in shapes and turns. Then we will be revising telling and writing the time from analogue, 12-hour $3 \times 1 = 3$ $3 \times 2 = 6$ and 24-hour clocks, including using Roman numerals $3 \times 3 = 9$ 3x4=12 from I to XII. It would really help your child if $3 \times 5 = 15$ 3x6=18 you could spend some time with them at home to practise telling the time. Following time, we will $3 \times 8 = 24$ spend two weeks deepening our knowledge of $3 \times 10 = 30$ 3×11=33 fractions. We will be counting up and down in 3 x 12 = 36 tenths; recognising that tenths arise from dividing an object into 10 equal parts. Then we will recognise, find and write fractions of a discrete set of objects (e.g. 1/5 of 25 sweets) and revise adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator within one whole (e.g. 5/7 + 1/7 =6/7). The last two weeks of this half term will be 4x1=4 used to solve multiplication and division problems using our times tables. A new strategy of multiplying a 2-digit number will be taught (e.g. 24×5) using mental strategies. Your child needs to know their 2, $4 \times 9 = 36$ 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times table. Any extra practise at $4 \times 10 = 40$ $4 \times 11 = 44$ home would be beneficial. $4 \times 12 = 48$

Science

In science we will continue looking at Forces and Magnets. We will be investigating how things move on different surfaces. Then we will be looking at how some forces need

contact, but magnetic forces can work at a distance. We will also be observing how magnets attract or repel and

investigating the 'poles' of a magnet.

SCIENCE WEEK: Beginning Monday 12th March 2018.



ART DAYS

We are excited to have our art days with Mrs Mackrill this term.

Dover Class: Monday 19th March 2018 Arundel Class: Monday 26th March 2018

Computing



We will continue being 'bug fixers', looking at scratch scripts. We will be finding and correcting errors in them and exploring creative ways of improving them.



PE

This term Year 3 will be using all our throwing and catching skills whilst learning a few new ways to move in Basketball.

Please ensure that your child has suitable PE kit each week so they are warm enough to be outside. Please name your child's PE kit.

SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT: 23rd February 2018 SCHOOL SPORTS RELIEF WEEK w/c 19th March 2018

