

Spring 1 – Crime and Punishment	
Writing	We will be writing a range of genres based on our reading text, The Highwayman. We will begin with writing narratives with dialogue and move onto a balanced argument. We will then begin our new book Holes and write a persuasive letter based on this stimulus.
Maths	We will complete our exploration of ratio and then move on to study algebra. We will then explore percentage, area, perimeter, volume and delve into some work with statistics.
Reading	We will be reading two different texts: The Highwayman (a narrative poem) and Holes.
Art	We will be exploring art based on pointillism. We will be exploring how this concept has evolved through the years with a particular focus on the work of Yayoi Kusama. The children's final piece of art will be a nature scene that uses colour to portray emotion.
History	Linking to our reading text, we are going to be discussing whether Highwaymen are villains or heroes. We will do this by answering a series of questions that will include us examining when they existed, why they existed and why they went into decline.
Computing	In Computing, we are going to explore the binary system. We are taking inspiration from Ada Lovelace, merging the worlds of maths, and computing together!
Science	Our focus this half term will be light. Pupils will continue to deepen their understanding by exploring light within the natural world and understanding different aspects like refraction and reflection.
RE	This term, we will be answering the question: Is anything ever eternal? We will have a guest workshop from REInspired that digs deeper into this topic.
Latin	The pupils will be understanding how Latin noun endings are changed by the subject and object. They will explore this by looking at how people were remembered and honoured in the Roman times.
PE	Over the half term, the children will be practising the skills of netball. They will understand the rules, develop their skills in throwing and catching and also work on shooting and defending.
Connect	This half term's focus is giving to others. Children will be thinking about acts of kindness and how they can give positive experiences to others.
Music	This term our focus piece is 'Fingal's Cave' by Mendelssohn (1830).The children will be able to define pitch, dynamics and texture and with this will compose their own soundbites and graphic scores to represent ideas.