

# GYPSY, ROMA AND TRAVELLER HISTORY MONTH EVENT

**WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2023  
10AM - 11AM**

## **ONLINE INTERACTIVE MASTERCLASS 'STORY INTO SONG' - FOR PUPILS IN YEARS 4-6**

Storytelling with multi-award-winning storyteller, author and playwright, Richard O'Neill and professional musician and songwriter George Hoyle. Together they blend the old and the new; telling a selection of unique, exciting and original stories through song. Participating pupils will have an opportunity to join in and sing along. This interactive masterclass will be held on Microsoft Teams.



### **RICHARD O'NEILL**

Richard O'Neill is a multi-award-winning storyteller, author and playwright born and raised in a large traditional nomadic Romani family, whose history in England and Scotland goes back hundreds of years. Richard continues the tradition of travelling across the UK and mainland Europe, delivering storytelling sessions and workshops. He has a particular interest in using literature to promote inclusion and social mobility. Website: [richardthestoryteller.weebly.com](http://richardthestoryteller.weebly.com)



### **GEORGE HOYLE**

George Hoyle is a professional musician, songwriter and music producer with over 20 years of experience. He has toured extensively internationally as a bass player. He is currently live bass player for acclaimed folk band Stick In The Wheel. George makes his own music under the name Cunning Folk. George is inspired by magic and folklore and is also a professional storyteller. Website: [ffm.bio/cunningfolk](http://ffm.bio/cunningfolk)

Look out for our Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month Roundtable Podcast 'Creating a culture of collaboration', which will be broadcast later in June [Roundtable Discussions - YouTube](#)

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