

Guy Fawkes

13 April 1570 - 31 January 1606

English soldier



Early life

- * born and educated in York
- * father died when he was 8
- * converted to Catholicism
- * traveled to Spain to fight in the 80 years war



Gunpowder plot :

- 5th November 1605
- attempt to assassinate King James I
- plot led by a group of English Catholics
- Guy Fawkes = in charge of the explosives
 - plot revealed by an anonymous letter
 - plot failed
- conspirators = arrested and sentenced to be hanged



Guy Fawkes night / Bonfire night

annual commemoration on November 5th

bonfire and extravagant fireworks display

Remember, remember the fifth of November

Gunpowder treason and plot,

*I see no reason why the gunpowder treason
should ever be forgot*