

# Two men charged over attack on boy at Turkish resort

Alexander Christie-Miller Istanbul

Two Turkish men have appeared in court accused of a vicious attack on a British teenager at a resort.

Dwayne Ward, 17, from Middlesbrough, was found early on Tuesday morning in a public garden in Marmaris lying naked with multiple stab wounds.

Two suspects, identified only by their initials, appeared in court yesterday charged with imprisoning, injuring, and robbing Mr Ward.

Mr Ward, who was on holiday with his mother and brother, was reported to have told the police: "I



The 24-year-old suspect was arrested in Konya, more than 300 miles away

kissed a Turkish girl in a bar. Later I left the bar. I was hit on the head with a hard object and I don't remember anything after that."

He had been in intensive care at Marmaris State Hospital, but doctors there said that he was now stable and progressing well.

Mr Ward was abducted by two men after spending the evening in Bar Street.

CCTV footage studied by police showed him being taken into an alley

at about 2.30am. Five hours later he was discovered in a disused garden by locals in the nearby Tepe district. Turkish media ran a photo purporting to show his naked body lying in grass. According to medical and police reports, he was stabbed 17 times, including cuts with razor blades.

On Thursday, a 26-year-old man was arrested. His initials were given in court as A.D. and he was named locally as Attila Dincer, a car cleaner. A second man, aged 24, was arrested more than 300 miles away in Konya. He was identified as I. A. in court.

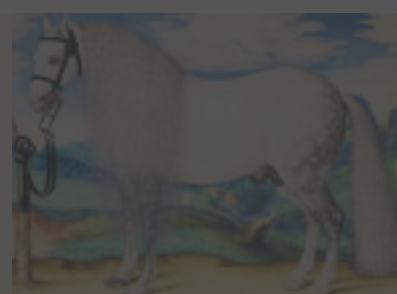
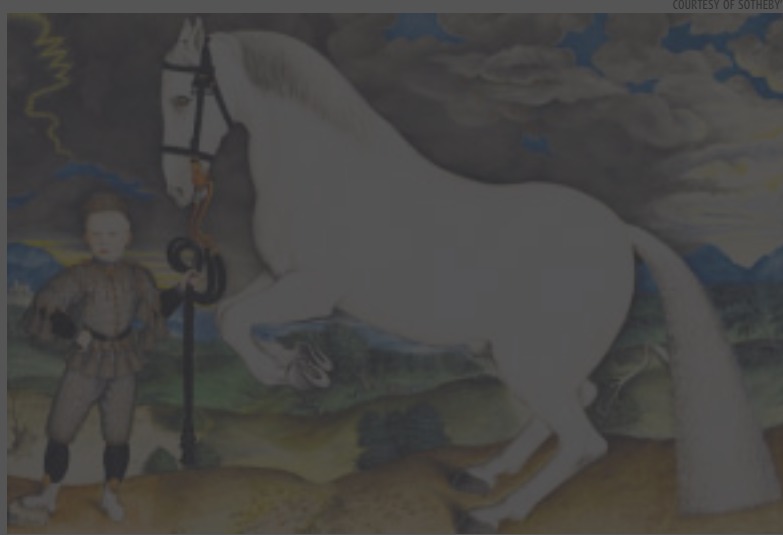
Mr Dincer was filmed by journalists while being taken into court covering his face with his hands. In response to one question, he claimed that I.A. had attacked Mr Ward.

Staff at the Ali Baba Hotel in Marmaris, where he was staying with his mother Doris, 51, and elder brother, Darren, 32, said that the family had arrived at the weekend and that his mother had now moved to the hospital and was staying there.

Mr Ward is studying at Middlesbrough College. School friends and staff from his former school, Macmillan Academy, said that they were deeply saddened by the attack.

A school spokesman said: "The thoughts and prayers of staff and students go out to Dwayne in the express hope that he can make a complete recovery. There is a real sense of communal support for his accompanying family, who are having to come to terms with these traumatic circumstances."

A spokesman for the Foreign Office said: "We are aware of the case and can confirm that we are aware of the hospitalisation of a British national in Marmaris on June 25. We are providing consular assistance."



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drawings from the 1570s, owned by a horse-mad Moravian noble and discovered in Scotland, are to be auctioned next month.

## Rescue plan on way for dying bee population

Oliver Moody

The Government has begun an "urgent" review of the decline of Britain's bees and has pledged to publish a pollinator strategy by the end of the year.

Lord de Mauley, the Environment Minister, said that he expected to have a plan for reversing the loss of many species of bees and other pollinators by November. "Today I am launching an urgent and comprehensive review of current policy, evidence, and civil society on pollinators to identify what needs to be done to integrate and step up our approach," he said.

The minister said that he wanted to focus on pollination by wild bees and other pollinators. "Honey bees are a very important part of the [farming] industry, but there are 200 other species of pollinator and they need to be part of the discussion," he said.

There are few reliable population figures for wild bees, such as the bumblebee. The Government has one expert "working to end the decline of wild bees" but 70 staff in its National Bee Unit working with honey bees.

## Toddlers walk best naked, but there's a catch

Tom Whipple Science Correspondent

Good news for parents: scientists have found a way significantly to improve the walking ability of toddlers. Bad news for parents: it could get messy.

Researchers from New York University observed the gait of 60 toddlers at 13 months and 19 months, while they walked either in nappies or naked. What they found was that wearing nappies impeded walking, compared with when the same children were naked.

"As soon as you put your baby in a diaper, it's going to walk worse," said Dr Karen Adolph. "Presumably the reason is the diaper pushes the legs apart."

What she and her colleagues do not know yet is how this translates into subsequent development, if at all.

"The real implications are that very subtle care-giving practices — something we don't even think about — can have big effects." So would she advise against using nappies? Not exactly.

"We had a lot of children pee on our floor," she explained. "It was one of our messier studies."

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