



SAUNCEY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers

To complement our study of Ancient Romans, we have invited History Off the Page to provide a Life in Roman Britain Day in school on Wednesday, 24th May 2023.

On the day, your child will experience life as it would have been during the 1st century AD during the Roman occupation of Britain. The children will learn about the issues of the time, with the opportunity to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities and crafts. The children may keep the items they make.

A simple costume will help your child feel part of the day. Please see overleaf for some ideas.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £15.00 per child towards this invaluable experience. However, if not enough parents agree to contribute, the experience may not be viable and may not go ahead. Your child will have their normal school lunch preference that day.

Please tick the box on the School Gateway to give your consent and offer your voluntary contribution by Wednesday, 17th May. If you are unable to use the School Gateway, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wiltshire



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Get ready to be a Roman Citizen with History Off the Page!

Very soon History Off the Page will visit your school for a Life in Roman Britain Day. To help you feel like a Roman, there are two things you can do to get ready:

1. Choose a Name

You could pick a Roman name for yourself, here is a short lists of examples:

Girls' names: Aeliana, Antonia, Augusta, Aurelia, Camilla, Cassia, Cecilia, Decima, Drusilla, Flavia, Florentina, Junia, Laelia, Laurentia, Livia, Marilla, Octavia, Priscilla, Sabina, Tanaquil, Tatiana, Tullia, Valentina, Vita

Boys' names: Ambrosius, Atticus, Augustus, Aurelius, Brutus, Caius, Cassius, Claudius, Darius, Felix, Flavius, Gaius, Julius, Justus, Lucius, Marcus, Maximus, Octavius, Pontius, Quintus, Remus, Septimus, Severus, Silvanus, Tiberius, Titus, Traian, Vitus.

2. Assemble a Costume

Looking like a Roman will help you feel like a Roman. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with a large white T-shirt! It is easy to think of Roman costumes just in terms of togas, but there are a wide variety of styles. Here are some ideas:

Tunic: This can be a simple white dress for girls or a large white T-shirt for boys and girls. You can make one from an old sheet: fold it over, cut a hole in top for your head and if you have time stich up the sides. You can wear this with a belt, cord or sash around the waist.

Chiton: You can, if you wish, add a chiton. This is a simple rectangle of coloured fabric (not too bright) with a central hole for the head, held in place with the belt, cord or sash.

Sandals: Simple leather sandals are good, but any sensible footwear will do.

Mantle: if you have time you could add a cloak fixed at the shoulders for boys or a shawl draped over one shoulder for girls.

Please do not come dressed as a specific person.



Regrettably, we no longer offer costume services.