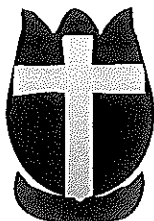


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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Year 4 Roman Britain Day - Friday May 11th

As a way of providing your child with an exciting opportunity to find out about Life during Roman times in Britain, we have arranged for 'History Off the Page' to spend the day with us on Friday May 11th. The voluntary contribution for this is £2.00.

On this day your child will experience life as it would have been, use authentic tools and materials whenever possible to learn skills as apprentices in a wide variety of workshops, and in the afternoon we will have a simple banquet consisting of cheese, rolls, fruit and blackcurrant squash. If there are any allergies that we are unaware of, please inform you child's class teacher. By the end of the day they will have a really good idea about how it felt to live in Britain in Roman times.

To enhance the experience we ask that children wear a simple Roman costume. Examples for girls and boys are attached to the letter. We will need a large number of adult helpers to ensure that the day can run smoothly, so if you or a relative are able join us, either for the whole day or just for the morning or afternoon, please indicate on the slip below.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Dark

Mrs A Whittaker

Please find enclosed £2.00 voluntary contribution for _____ (name)
towards the Year 4 Roman day.

I _____ am able to help on the day (please indicate time)

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Preparing the Pupils – Girl's Roman Costume:

Names:

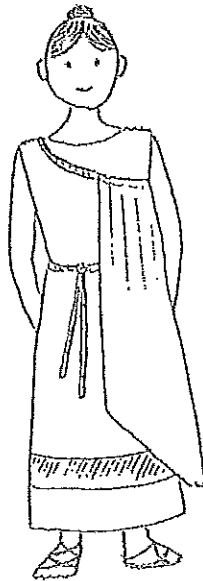
Please ask the pupils to select a name from the list below and if possible write it on a label, which can be attached to their costume:

Felicia, Agrippina, Diodora, Fabia, Florentina, Lollia, Lucilla, Regina, Tadia, Volusia, Claudia, Lesbia, Julia, Appolonia, Flavia, Simplicia.

Costume:

It is easy to think of Roman costume just in terms of togas, but a glance at an encyclopaedia of fashion will show very many styles as there are today. It is intended that this sheet should simplify matter in order to give children the opportunity to wear something, which is approximately correct and begin to make the imaginative leap, which is so valuable when studying the past. There are a number of possibilities depending on how much time you have to spend.

- Simplest version. Just wear a knee length sleeveless tunic with belt. Any colour. You could even get away with a plain large T-shirt with a belt or a plain night-shirt.
- Half hour version Simple shift (chiton). Rectangle of any colour but preferably not too bright. Cut hole in the middle for the head. Fold-in half. Stitch side seams, leaving gaps for arms. Tie around waist with belt. Use firmly fixed brooches or safely pins to gather shoulders.
- Any style could have a draped mantle/shawl (Palla) on top.



Girl's Roman Costume (designed with safety in mind). Representative photos can be found at:
www.historyoffthepeg.co.uk.

Order direct: Tel: 01954 213183 or email: ddworkshop@icloud.com

Tunic (chiton) & shawl (palla): £27.50 + P&P

Adult costume also available: Tunic & cloak £38.40 (VAT included) + P&P

As these costumes are handmade to order, please give as much notice as possible. If required at short notice, please call and we will advise whether we can supply in time.

Please provide: 1. Height/chest measurement (or for pupils, usual age of clothing worn)
2. Daytime contact telephone number to take payment card details and a delivery address.

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