

Dear Parents/Guardians.

As part of our topic on The Romans, I have booked a workshop for **Tuesday 13th April** for Year 3 and 4 children as a 'hook' for the topic.

During this action-packed day, the children will practise a military drill, discover what the Romans ate and the games they played for entertainment, learn some Latin and much more.

To really immerse ourselves in this workshop, the children have an option of coming to school dressed as a Roman child. Below is a description of what would've been worn at the time. This is **optional** and school uniform must be worn if your child does not want to dress up.

What to Wear

Girls - Roman ladies wore long, simple tunics with cloaks. To make one, fold a long rectangular piece of material in half and cut a semi-circle shape in the fold to go over the girl's head and school clothes. Then use rope, cord or if necessary, a leather belt to gather in at the waist. Materials such as (or similar to) cotton, linen, wool or silk can be used. Alternatively, a long, plain T-shirt which is belted could be worn. Tunics ideally should be past the knees and above the ankles. Good colours are blue, grey, yellow, green, orange, red, cream and white. If girls wish to wear a cloak, a smaller rectangular piece of material can be used to drape around the shoulders or over the head but please ensure it does not cause a tripping hazard. Rich girls had servants to dress their hair so plaits, buns and ringlets are very authentic.

Boys - Most Roman men wore short, undyed tunics above the calf. They could also have short sleeves. These can be made in the same way as above, gathered in with a belt and preferably knee-length. Good colours and materials are cream or white wool, cotton or linen. Please note: shorts can be worn underneath, but if not long socks could be worn. A toga (a big semi-circular piece of white material) can be brought but will be cumbersome during certain activities and may be difficult to wear all day.



The cost of the Roman Day workshop is £6 per child, The link for payment will be sent via school money.

Many Thanks

Miss Alderson.