



Burford School & Nursery

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Dear Parents & Carers

We are really pleased to have booked our Roman Day with 'History Off The Page' for Thursday 29th January 2026. This will complement our work in History.

'History Off The Page' delivers a full day workshop to the children in school and uses a blend of practical handcrafts, drama and role-play to inspire children about history. During the day, our school hall will be transformed into a Roman fort. As the children work, news will arrive that Boudica is winning important battles, including destroying Colchester, London, St Albans and the IX Legion's infantry. What will happen to the IX Legion? Will the fort be safe?

To make the day as engaging and fun as possible we are inviting the children to come to school dressed as a Roman. This could be a soldier, an emperor or just a simple tunic. Please see examples of costumes on the next page.

If your child has eczema or sensitive skin, please let your class teacher know as some activities may involve oils or lotions on skin.

We will require 10 parent helpers to support with the activities. If you are able to help, please contact your child's class teacher.

The cost of the day will be £12.50 payable through Parent Pay.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Housden and Miss Fulbrook and Mrs Durkin
Year 3 Team



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 stitch 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.

