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Yr 3 Roman Day 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

After Christmas, we will be studying the Romans. As part of this topic, we have planned a Roman day for **Thursday, 27th January**. It will involve a variety of activities including role play and story-telling. We would like the children to dress as Roman citizens and would appreciate it if you could help your child to make a costume to wear to school on the day.

There are many ideas to make a Roman outfit on the internet, including how to use a pillow case to represent a tunic. Possible sites to look on are www.show.me.uk or www.ehow.com. To keep warm the children can wear white shorts or leggings underneath their costume and we would be pleased if they could wear sandals or plimsolls. To make their appearance authentic we are also asking girls with long hair to have their hair "put up" as the Roman ladies would have worn their hair in this fashion. Some boys might like to wear the armour of a Roman soldier but no weapons please!

On the day, we would like the children to bring a 'Roman themed' packed lunch to school: pizza, chicken drum sticks, honey sandwiches, pitta bread, cheese, olives, apples, pears, (stuffed dormouse!) or grapes. The Romans ate a lettuce leaf to aid digestion and drank fruit juice.

During the day, we would also like to put together a Roman town with the children. For Christmas homework, or if more convenient, in the first two weeks of the Spring Term, we would like the children to make a Roman building that could be part of our town. Each child will have been given a particular building type to make (these were drawn randomly from a hat). They will then need to make that particular building in order to make our town historically accurate and avoid lots of one particular type of building. For example, we only need one amphitheatre but we need lots of homes and shops. **NB: Please can all buildings be brought into school the week beginning Monday 17th January; these buildings can then be quarantined until they are needed during the Roman Day.**

To keep to a 'scale' of sorts, please **put the buildings on an A4 base** (no larger please), otherwise, they take over the classrooms; an old cereal packet turned into a villa would be great. As the children are extremely enthusiastic about finding out more about the Romans, it would be fantastic if they could undertake some research into their building as well. They will have the opportunity to share any interesting information that they have discovered during the construction of our town on Roman Day.

We are really looking forward to this exciting day.

Thank you for your help and continued support. We appreciate how busy everyone is and therefore wanted to give you as much notice as possible with regard to this event.

Mrs Pryde and Mr Smith

Year 3 Class Teachers

