

Year 4 Roman Theatre Day

Good day my fellow Year 4 comrades!

Here is some information about the upcoming 'Roman Theatre Day' for Year 4 pupils.

Date: Monday 5th February.

Location: in school, normal school times.

Clothing: you can choose to dress as a Roman or wear your PE kit- the choice is yours my comrades in arms!

What to bring: your Roman shield that you have made for your home learning project.

Dressing up as an Ancient Roman

Roman clothes were made of wool, spun into cloth by the women of the family. Later on the richer people had slaves to do this work for them. If you could afford to buy clothes, you could buy linen, cotton or silk, which was brought to Rome from other parts of the Empire. Washing clothes was difficult because the Romans did not have washing machines or soap powder. They used either a chemical called sulphur or urine.

These are the clothes that Roman men wore:



Men and boys clothes

The Toga - The man on the right is wearing a toga. Only male citizens of Rome were allowed to wear togas. A plain white toga was worn by all adult male citizens.

The Tunic - The tunic was standard dress for all men from slaves to the nobles. It could be worn plain, belted at the waist or under a cloak. Citizens of Rome would wear a tunic under their toga.



Women and girls clothes

Women wore a longer tunic which was often ankle-length. Over this the women wore a stola which was a full length from neck to ankle, high-waisted and fastened at the shoulders with clasps.

Rich women wore long tunics made from expensive cotton or silk. They also wore lots of jewellery and make-up, strong scent and elaborate hairstyles. They had specially trained slaves to help them dress, arrange their hair and put make-up on their faces.

