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Dear Parents/Carer,

Year 3 'Ancient Greek' Day – Thursday 27th March 2025

As part of our history topic we are learning about 'Ancient Greece', Year 3 will have the opportunity to take part in an exciting full day workshop, in school, led by historian Dan Shadrake. Dan is the leader of Britannia, one of the country's leading re-enactment groups, specialising in Gladiatorial combat. He is also a historical author and illustrator. Dan has appeared in the BBC's Horrible Histories on many occasions too.

The morning workshop consists of a short introduction to Greek life and culture, followed by four engaging activities:

- A Greek quiz, with loads of fun Greek facts for the children to discover
- Archimedes' Stomachion – the oldest known mathematical puzzle
- Petteia, the Greek strategy game
- Myths and legends – the children are transported to a Greek theatre where they re-enact Greek myths and legends

After lunch, the Greek warrior will demonstrate his weapons and armour. The differences between the city states of Athens and Sparta are then explored, the children take a lesson in democracy, which is followed by a mini Olympic Games. The great battle of Gaugamela between Alexander the Great and King Darius will round off an engaging and fun day.

We are asking parents to contribute to the cost of the workshop; however, should insufficient funds be received then this will be unable to go ahead. The total cost for the workshop is £13.25 per child, however this will be part-subsidised by school funding. **Therefore, we would be grateful if you would kindly agree to contribute £5.00 for your child to attend this event, this should be paid online, on Wisepay by Friday 21st March 2025.**

Children are invited to come to school on the day dressed in traditional Ancient Greek costumes, please see attached examples.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Ward



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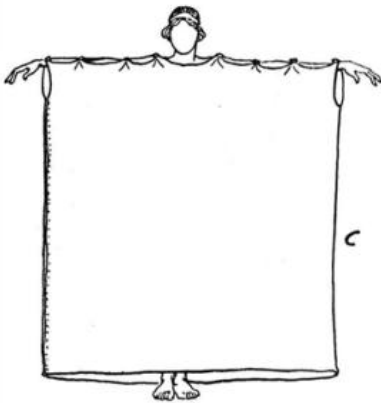
Ancient Greek costumes ideas

Boys:



An extra-large adult white t-shirt tied around the middle with a thick cord will make a perfect tunic. Another large piece of material can be draped and pinned at the shoulder to make the cape.

Girls:



All Greek clothes were made from large rectangles of cloth with a minimum amount of sewing. They can be made from old sheets of any colour. Greeks used linen and woollen cloth to make their clothes. Wear an under dress or adult size white T shirt under your dress.

Accessories:

Bangles can be worn on wrists and simple headbands which look like large leaves can be worn on the head.



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