

Merton Junior School

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*'Be wise, together we
succeed'*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are lucky enough to have been able to book a visitor to help us with our Roman topic!

This exciting experience will happen on Thursday 28th January 2021, in school for the whole day. The contribution we are asking for from parents/guardians is £4.75 to cover the cost of the workshop.

Payments can be made as a one off amount or as instalments in whatever amount suits you. (i.e £1 per week over 5 weeks). We request that payments are made via our online payment system unless you have an agreement with the office to pay by cash. If you require a letter in order to register for online payments please contact the school office.

The Roman Workshop activities are below:

- The focus of Portals to the Past's Roman workshop is life in Britain under the *Pax Romana*. The children will explore the dramatic change in the lifestyle of even the lowliest of citizens after the arrival of the Roman legions, take a tour through a bath-house, touch real Roman artefacts and feel the excitement of the games in the arena.
- Children are allowed to dress up as Celts or Romans for the day. The actual workshop lasts for a normal school day starting at 9.15 and finishing around 3pm.
- The afternoon starts with a display of Roman weapons and armour, followed by learn to March like Roman soldier and why Boudicca and the Celts lost their last battle with the Romans. The day finishes with your very own gladiator show where the children have all the important roles from the Emperor down to the slaves.
- The workshop would be led by Egnatius Drusus aka Russell Spicer. He has appeared in many historical documentaries' and has worked in schools and museums for the last 3 years.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions you have about the Roman workshop. Letters will be sent out nearer the time to give children ideas of dressing up for the day.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Youngs, Mr Rowland and Mr Batchelor
The Year 4 Team

Roman Workshop Experience Year 4

Child's name _____ Child's class _____

I enclose the amount of £_____/ have paid online for the Roman Workshop Experience on Thursday 28th January 2021

Name _____ Signed _____