



Kents Hill Junior School



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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Year 3 'Portals to the Past' Romans Workshop

As part of their history topic this year, our children will take part in a range of opportunities designed to support their personal development. These experiences help them to understand and engage with the world around them while bringing the curriculum to life. All activities are age-appropriate and will ensure that children look back fondly on their time at KHJS, having created some of their best core memories.

On **Wednesday 18th March**, the children will participate in an immersive Romans workshop delivered by an external provider in school. The workshop will combine educational activities, historical facts and knowledge with opportunities to experience life thousands of years ago.

Portals to the Past provides engaging and interactive workshops designed for school groups, focusing on the Roman Empire's influence in Britain. These workshops allow students to explore the dramatic changes in lifestyle following the arrival of Roman legions, offering a hands-on experience with real Roman artifacts and re-enactments of historical events.

Clothing

To enhance the experience, we are inviting children to come to school in costume for the day. There is no need to purchase anything new—we have included some simple ideas overleaf.

As the event takes place on school premises, lunch will run as normal.

To cover the cost of this workshop, we kindly ask for a contribution of **£7.00** to be paid to the school using the Schoolcomms online payment system. Although this is a voluntary contribution, the workshop will be unable to go ahead unless all or most of the costs are covered.

We understand that some families may find it challenging to cover this expense. Any small contribution will make a huge difference in ensuring every child can join this special experience.

If you are able, you can opt to pay **£10 instead of £7**, with the additional £3 being treated as a donation towards supporting other children who may require assistance to attend the workshop. Your kindness and support will help ensure that every child has the opportunity to take part in this enriching experience. If, through the generosity of our families, we receive more funds than the cost of the workshop, any remaining amount will be ring-fenced for future use to benefit your children.

We are really looking forward to this workshop and are excited for the children to make lasting memories. Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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Roman Costume Ideas for Children

- Plain t-shirt or tunic-style top in white or a light colour
- leggings in dark or neutral colours
- Plain dress, tunic, or oversized t-shirt in light colour
- Leggings, tights, or plain trousers underneath if preferred
- Sheet used as a toga



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Costume suggestions are based on what children wore at the time. costumes are encouraged but not compulsory.

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