



**Barrow CEVC  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Year 4 History off the page - Roman Britain

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March we have re-arranged our History Off the Page day, that was postponed in January. The children will, through role-play, experience life as it would have been living in the year 60 AD. Using authentic tools and materials whenever possible, they will learn skills as apprentices in a wide variety of workshops. As the day progresses, the children will get involved in the issues of the time, with the chance to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities. By the end of the day they will have a really good idea of how it felt to be living in Roman Britain at that time. The experience will be conducted remotely, using video conferencing and individual resource packs.

We would like the children to wear a simple Roman costume (**Not soldiers please**) as it will help them really feel part of the day. If you need direction, please see the attached sheet.

To cover the costs of the day, we are requesting a contribution of £12.00 per child. Refunds were made for anyone who had paid in December or January, so please could you arrange payment via parent mail in the usual manner. If your child is entitled to free school meals, please contact the office regarding payment.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks for your continued support,

Mr Keefe



Looking like a Roman will help you feel like a Roman. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with a large white T-shirt! It is easy to think of Roman costumes just in terms of togas, but there are a wide variety of styles. Here are some ideas:

**Tunic:** This can be a simple white dress for girls or a large white T-shirt for boys and girls. You can make one from an old sheet: fold it over, cut a hole in top for your head and if you have time stitch up the sides. You can wear this with a belt, cord or sash around the waist.

**Chiton:** You can, if you wish, add a chiton. This is a simple rectangle of coloured fabric (not too bright) with a central hole for the head, held in place with the belt, cord or sash.

**Sandals:** Simple leather sandals are good, but any sensible footwear will do.

**Mantle:** if you have time you could add a cloak fixed at the shoulders for boys or a shawl draped over one shoulder for girls.

***Please do not come dressed as a specific person.***

