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## Ancient Greek Day – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/carers,

We are excited to inform you that on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021**, History Off the Page will be coming to our school for an Ancient Greek Day!

As we have been learning all about Greece in Geography and Art, and are planning on diving further into the Ancient Greeks after half term with History and English, what a better way for the children to learn more about ancient Greek life than to experience this first-hand. There will be elements of drama, role-play and practical activities, which are held together by an overall narrative – 490BC Athens and the Battle of Marathon.

In order for the day to be as engaging as possible, we encourage your child to dress up in a traditional ancient Greek costume (see the reverse of this for ideas). This does not need to be an expense (an old pillowcase or t-shirt is fine).

In addition, we need a few adult helpers during the day, and we welcome your participation. If you are able to attend for the entire school day or half the day, please contact the school office or let your class teacher know. We will then get back to you. Thank you in advance.

The cost of the Ancient Greek Day is **£10.40** and payment can be made via Parent Mail. As we are staying at school, lunch will not be any different than usual.

We cannot wait to experience this day with the children!

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team

# Get ready to be an Ancient Greek with History Off the Page!

Very soon History Off the Page will visit your school for a Life in Ancient Greece Day. To help you feel like a Greek, there are two things you can do to get ready:

## 1. Choose a Name

Please pick a name for yourself from the lists below:

**Girls' names:** Ada, Agape, Agathé, Althea, Athena, Alexandra, Barbara, Calypso, Chloë, Cilla, Demetria, Doris, Dorothea, Electra, Eunice, Harmonia, Hermione, Hippolyta, Iola, Irene, Iris, Isadora, Lois, Lyra, Megaera, Niko, Olympias, Panora, Penelope, Persephone, Phoebe, Phyllis, Rhea, Rhoda, Sophia, Thelma, Theresa, Timandra, Zoe

**Boys' names:** Abantes, Alypius, Alexander, Artemios, Atlas, Bacchios, Carpus, Cronos, Cylon, Cyrenios, Daedalos, Damian, Davos, Deon, Dionysos, Dorian, Epicurus, Evios, Gallus, Gelo, Hektor, Helenos, Hermon, Herodes, Icarus, Idas, Kallinos, Lagos, Leo, Leonidas, Lycomedes, Odysseus, Orion, Orcus, Paris, Proetus, Sebastos, Sippas, Sisyphus, Tereus, Theodoros, Timon, Timotheus, Xanthos, Zuthos, Zagreus

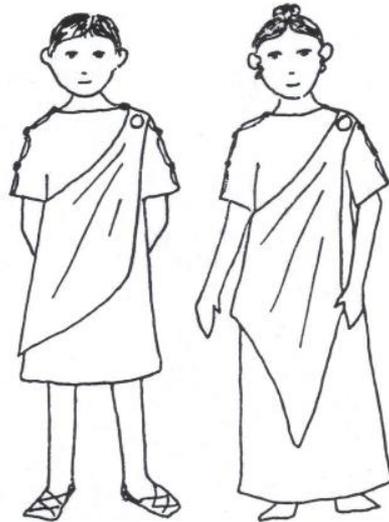
## 2. Assemble a Costume

Looking like an Ancient Greek will help make you feel like an Ancient Greek. Costumes do not have to be fancy – you can do a lot with a large white T-shirt! Here are some ideas:

**Tunic for boys/Chiton for girls:** This can be a simple white dress for girls or a large white T-shirt for boys and girls. You can also make one from a pillowcase, or even an old sheet: fold it over, stitch up the sides and cut a hole in top for your head. Boys can wear with a belt, cord or sash around the waist, while girls may wear with a simple thin apron.

**Himation:** Fasten a rectangle of coloured cloth with a brooch or button on the left shoulder.

*Please do not come dressed as a specific person, as all the children will be workers in the Agora in the morning.*



Need costume help? You can see examples of simple costumes or order from our costume shop:  
[www.historyoffthepage.co.uk](http://www.historyoffthepage.co.uk)