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Dear Parents and carers,

To begin our study of Ancient Greece, we have invited History Off the Page to provide a Life in Ancient Greece Day in the school on **Tuesday 28th April 2026.**

The voluntary contribution for the day is **£12**, via ParentPay, which will go to a whole day of learning. Please log in to Parent Pay to give permission for your child to take part.

History Off the Page is a company which provides immersive and practical History, Science and Literature workshops to schools. The workshop, which will take place in the school hall during normal school hours, will give us a feeling of what it was like to be a Greek in ancient times.

On the day, your child will experience life as it would have been during the 5th Century BC in Athens. The children will learn about the issues of the time, with the opportunity to participate in a range of cross-curricular activities and crafts. The children may keep the items they make.

A simple Ancient Greek themed costume will help your child feel part of the day (please see below for ideas). Some simple food will be served (provided by the school) in the afternoon as part of the drama. Allergies will be catered for.

We look forward to this exciting day and can't wait to see your child's costume.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Davis, Mr Leech, Miss Davis, Mr Hagger, Mrs Khan and Miss Callum

Year 5 Class Teachers

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.