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Friday, 15 September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a way of providing your child with the best opportunity to find out about our topic, 'The Tudors', we have arranged for History Off the Page to spend the day with us on Tuesday 19th September 2017. The voluntary contribution for the day is £11 which is payable by ParentPay. Cash can no longer be accepted.

On this day your child, will through role-play, experience life as it would have been in a Tudor household in the year 1536. Using authentic tools and materials whenever possible, they will learn skills 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 like to be a Tudor citizen at this particular time in history. There will also be a story-telling session.

A simple costume will help your child really feel part of the day. There is no need to buy any items as costumes can be made from clothes you already have.

Boy's Tudor Costume Ideas

Smock – a large plain T-shirt with a belt or cord round the waist.

Doublet - you could add a plain waistcoat, if you have one, as a doublet.

Hose – tuck plain, dark, baggy trousers (such as track-suit bottoms) into long socks.

Girl's Tudor Costume Ideas

Smock- a plain, light-coloured T-shirt

Kirtle - a long, preferably, plain skirt.

Bodice- a man's plain waistcoat, if you have one. (Or you could wear a long, plain dress, with a belt or cord tie.)

Apron - preferably plain white. You could attach a rectangle of white material to a tie (no gathers or pockets) A belt or cord tie or plaited wool tie.

Shoes - any flat, sturdy shoes.

Coif - (for your head). A triangle of white material tied around the head to hide the hair. The long ends are tied over the hanging point, which is then tucked over the knot.

Banquet Food

As part the children's learning, they will also be participating in a Tudor style banquet in the afternoon and will be writing persuasive letters asking you for specific food from Tudor times. We would be so grateful if you could help by donating the food your child asks for in their letter to make their banquet as authentic as possible.

Finally, we also need a number of adult helpers to run the workshops on the day (you will be briefed in the morning!) and make the day run smoothly. Please join us, you will see for yourself the value of the day!

Best wishes,

Miss Reynolds & Mr Foster