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A "Sense of Pride"

26th November 2019,

Dear Parents,

YEAR 4: ANGLO-SAXON WORKSHOP

In the Spring term, we will be exploring the Anglo-Saxon era and its impact on Britain. In order to develop the children's understanding of the topic, **Portals to the Past** will be visiting the school on **Thursday 16th January 2020**.

During the workshop the children will explore the lives of Anglo Saxons by playing some recreational games, watching performances of stories and legends from the era, investigating weaponry and handling authentic artefacts.

To bring the day to life, we would like children to **dress up as a Saxon**. Please do not feel that you have to buy a costume or make an elaborate one. A baggy -shirt with a rope belt would be perfect! Please see overleaf for guidance.

The cost of this workshop is £5.00 per child.

We should point out that there are no funds available to cover the costs of pupils whose parents expect them to take part but who are unwilling or unable to contribute. However, if you have difficulty in affording the above amount, please see the Headteacher privately. If insufficient voluntary contributions are received the enrichment will have to be cancelled.

Please make a voluntary contribution of **£5.00 online via Parentpay by Monday 6th January 2020**.

Yours sincerely

Year 4 team

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Saxon Day

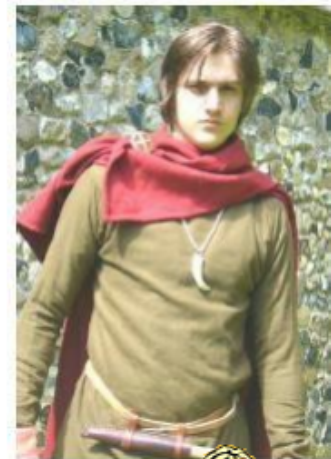
Saxon Costume ideas

Dressing up need not be challenging or expensive. Costumes are easily made from existing clothing and there is no need to get something from a fancy dress shop. In fact your clothing will be more authentic if it's not, as purchased fancy dress costumes are not only expensive but often inaccurately based on "horns and fur".

Here are some quick ideas for a simple authentic home-made outfit:

Saxon Man

- A long sleeved, oversized plain T-shirt, muted, earthy colour. Borrow your dad's or big brother's.
- A thin belt, leather or fabric.
A plain tie-belt from a dressing gown will do at a push
- A pair of plain dark leggings or jogging bottoms
- Plain dark shoes or short boots
- A plain coloured cloak (a piece of material, perhaps from some old curtains) attached with a round brooch made from cardboard and a safety pin
- Make a 'seax' - a short dagger - and attach it to your belt



Saxon Lady

- A plain coloured long dress or top and skirt
- A plain overdress - a peplos secured with two round brooches
- A thin belt
- A string of beads worn as a necklace
- Plain dark shoes or short boots
- Hair plaited in a single plait at the back
- Girdle hangers

