Workshop: Mini Roman Life in the Fort

National Curriculum Links

KS2 History: The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain: The power of the Roman army

Successful invasion and conquest, including Hadrian's Wall

| Learning objectives | Session structure | Assessment for learning |
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| To explore what it was like to be an auxiliary soldier in the Roman Army based at Segedunum Fort, part of Hadrian's Wall | Introduction We will introduce the fort site and explain the different kinds of soldiers living at Segedunum. | Children will explore themes through role play and dressing up activities, we will ask questions throughout to check understanding. |
| | Session activities Children will 'sign up' to be a new recruit at Segedunum fort. They will take part in an army drill, learning some Latin phrases and find out about training in the Roman Army. They will take part in kit training session where they will learn about the armour and weapons a Roman soldier would wear and have an opportunity to try on some of the kit. | Children will have opportunities to respond and give feedback throughout the session. There will be opportunities for Q&A at the end of the session. |
| | They will make their own Roman helmet to wear and practice combat training using replica wooden shields and spears. Plenary At the end of the session we will provide each child with a certificate to show that they are now new recruits of the Roman army. | |

| Before your visit | After your visit | Key vocabulary |
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| Make a free teacher pre visit to familiarise yourself with the site-contact learning@segedunumromanfort.org.uk Use this short film to introduce the session to your class Introduction videos Segedunum Roman Fort Borrow a Roman themed Box of Delight Loans boxes Tyne & Wear Schools (twamschools.org.uk) Use our Teacher's Notes for background information Teacher notes and background information Segedunum Roman Fort | Use our post visit resources to explore the topic further. Video resources Segedunum Roman Fort Pre- and Post-Visit Activities Segedunum Roman Fort Write an account of a day in the life of an auxiliary soldier based at Segedunum Learn more about where the soldiers of Hadrian's Wall came from- Were the Romans all from Rome? Segedunum Roman Fort | Army, Roman, auxiliary, armour, weapons, shield, sword, dagger, cavalry, infantry Empire, Hadrian's Wall, unit |