

Burwell Village College Primary School The Causeway Burwell Cambridgeshire CB25 0DU

Headteacher: Mr Antony Kern

Friday 9th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

# Ancient Greek Workshop Thursday 26th June 2025

During the Summer Term, we will be learning about Ancient Greece. To support the children's learning, we have arranged an Ancient Greek Workshop, which will be led by a member of the Historic Workshops team.

The day will include activities similar to the following:

### Introduction

Alexander talks about his life as a Royal Greek Guard whilst dressed in full armour.

### **Battle Formations and Tactics**

The children get put through their paces by training as a Greek Hoplite. They each get a huge golden round shield and spear and learn how to get into the famous phalanx formation.

### **City-state Management**

The children take part in an ecclesia (meeting). They are the elected members of the city of Athens and it is their job to see if they can make the right decisions to keep their city in a state of prosperity.

### **Ancient Greek Games**

The children get to play some of the favourite games of the Ancient Greeks. Authentic wooden boards and clay playing pieces brings some realism to this session.

## **Ancient Greek Writing**

Using real papyrus paper, which has been sourced from Egypt, reed pens and ink, the children learn how to write in Ancient Greek.

In order to cover the cost of the workshop, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £9.00. Please visit your child's Scopay account by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025.** Any family in receipt of free school meals, or where circumstances to make full payment difficult, should contact Mr Kern as it may possible to seek assistance. Any assistance will be provided anonymously.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Egan and Miss Williamson

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Year 5 Team