

PRESS RELEASE



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Romans to Invade Moreton Show!

St David's and Blockley Primary Schools will be taking on Roman soldiers from Deva Victrix (Chester Guard) on Friday, 3rd September, with thanks to the Moreton-in-Marsh Show. The soldiers will be a major feature at this year's Show on the following day, Saturday, 4th September.

Roman Tours Ltd (www.romantoursuk.com) will present and illuminate the life of Roman soldiers, who were an integral part of Moreton-in-Marsh heritage. The remains of a Roman Settlement lie under one of the fields adjacent to the showground. Faye Heming (Headmistress, St. David's) and Linda Jeffcutt (Headmistress, Blockley Primary School), will be opening their schools to Roman Tours' soldiers who will demonstrate character acting, role play - using authentic costumes and equipment, questioning and interactive experiences for KS2 pupils on Friday, 3rd September. The day will include an exciting military march of the kids' army through the streets of Moreton, re-tracing the soldiers' original steps on the 'Fosseway' Roman Road.

Lance Prince from Roman Tours recently visited the Moreton Showground site at Old Farm (along with other Moreton locations including pubs and shops) to plot the Roman encampment, and to ensure the activities at the Show on Saturday, 4th September will be relevant, educational and fun for all age groups, including parents! They will set up their Roman encampment on the Showground, and on Show Day. Visitors can look around, ask questions, view artefacts and get up close to the gladiators. Parents can bring their children to enlist in the Roman army and they will be treated as soldiers, put in armour, taught to march, drill and fight the enemy. Lance said, "We parade them to the arena area where we put them through their paces before the parents. They then take part in a battle against the Roman deserters, beating them into a pulp!" Later on in the attraction arena watch out for the "Clash of the Gladiators", not for the faint-hearted...

Moreton Show will be held on Saturday, 4th September, 2010. Order tickets on line at www.moretonshow.co.uk or telephone 0870 877 7409.

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