

YEAR 5 ~ THE ROMANS

EXPLORING SEGEDUNUM~OCTOBER 2022

The children in their History lessons have been learning all about the Roman invasion of Britain and to bring their learning to life, the children visited Segedunum Roman Fort and Museum at Wallsend. The day began with the children learning to march in the same formation as the Roman soldiers would have done. They had to make quarter turns left and right following instructions that were given in Latin. The children discovered what a soldier would have worn, items included a chainmail tunic, the hobnail boots and the helmet. The children had the chance to explore objects that a soldier would have used such as a sword, frying pan and a spear. The children practised marching with a shield and learning how to defend themselves against the enemy. They also had to swear allegiance to the legate of the fort. At Segedunum there are the remains of the actual Roman fort and the children were able to walk in the same places that the Romans did over 2000 years ago. They could see where the granary, the commander's house and the cavalrymen would have lived and worked. They also got the chance to see part of Hadrian's Wall. The children also spent time in the museum and looked at objects such as Roman coins, pottery and jewellery. The children learned lots during their visit and enjoyed being able to see and handle Roman artefacts.

