W is for Woad and War Horn





Anyone who has been on a school visit to study Romans at Time and Tide will know about woad and war horns!

During an immersive experience, the children discover how the Iceni fought against the Romans, furthering their ferocious reputation.

The Iceni used the leaves from the woad plant to make paint in a bright blue colour which they painted over their bodies. (Yes, it is thought that they often fought naked!) Certainly, they did not cover themselves in armour as the Romans did.

They would use war horns, this one is made from a cow's horn, to make themselves sound as terrifying as they looked.

Can you paint your face to turn yourself into a terrifying warrior?

Can you make your own museum of 'W' objects from around your home?



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