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Dear Parent/Guardian,

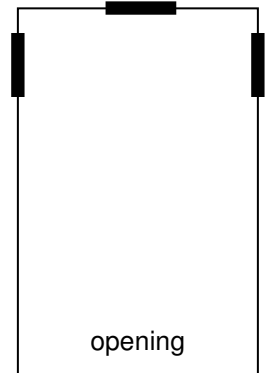
### Final Ceremonies

This Friday, August 7, LatinSummer will celebrate the *Ritus Terminalis*, or Final Ceremony. Students will have the opportunity to share their favorite projects from the past two weeks with their parents and peers. Students will then be given a medal, a certificate, and an actual ancient Roman coin for their hard work. There will also be a Roman fashion show and a small Roman Banquet. **Parents and guardians are invited to this program**, which will take place in the **main LatinSummer area**. During the banquet, parents and students will be asked to fill out evaluations appraising the value of their experience in LatinSummer.

Your child, as a member of either the Faun, Gorgon, or Hydra group, will celebrate the *Ritus Terminalis* from **9:15 to 10:30**. Following the ceremony, instruction will continue, and LatinSummer will end as usual at 12:15. If you would like to take your child home with you after the ceremony, you are welcome to do so; however, please realize that your child would miss out on the last instruction of LatinSummer. You are also, of course, welcome to remain at the school and observe until 12:15.

### Tunicas for the Final Ceremony

To help celebrate the *Ritus Terminalis*, children will dress in Roman tunicas! Please send in a king-sized pillowcase (this will be cut!) with your child on Friday. You may wish to team up with another family on this purchase as pillowcases often come in 2 packs. It would help preparation go more quickly if you could cut the pillowcase in advance in the way pictured at right. Each thick line represents a cut. There will be one cut for the head, and two cuts for the arms.



### Art Contest

We are excited to announce a LatinSummer art contest! We encourage all children who are interested to participate. The challenge is to create a colorful drawing or painting, no greater than 5" x 5" in size, depicting anything from Roman or Greek history, culture, or mythology that the students have learned about at LatinSummer. **Entries are due on Thursday**. Contest winners will be announced at the *Ritus Terminalis* and will have the honor of their art being featured on gifts such as magnets and buttons that are sent to the kind folks who donate to Ascanius.

### Tee-shirts

We will distribute tee-shirts to your children on Wednesday. We ask that your child wear the LatinSummer tee-shirt on **Thursday**.

I hope to see you at the *Ritus Terminalis* on Friday!

Grātiās tibi agō,

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