

All About Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is named after Saint Valentine. Saint Valentine was a Roman priest. Valentine's Day is celebrated on the 14th February every year.

When did Valentine's Day start?

Valentine's Day came from a Roman festival called Lupercalia.

At this festival, boys pulled girls' names from a box and they would be boyfriend and girlfriend for the festival.

The Christian Church decided to have a festival celebrating love, to remember Saint Valentine.

What do people do on Valentine's Day?

- People show their loved ones that they care, by taking them out for a treat.
- They sometimes send a gift.
- They sometimes send a card.

Symbols of Valentine's Day

A symbol is something that makes people think of something else. These things are all symbols of Valentine's Day.



hearts



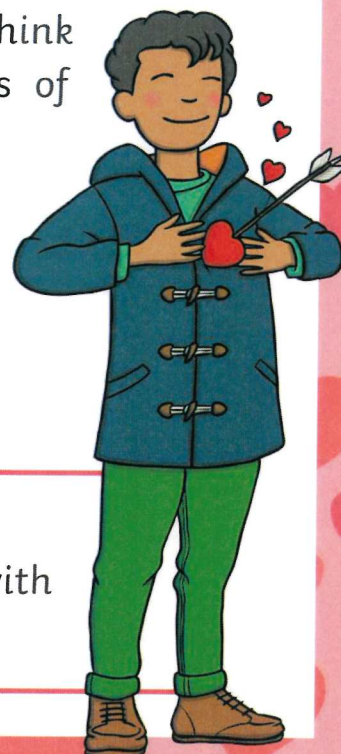
red roses



Cupid



dove



Did you know?

The stories say that when Cupid shoots people with his magic arrows, he can make them fall in love.

Questions

1. Who was Saint Valentine? Tick one.

- a roman priest
- a teacher
- a shopkeeper

2. What was Lupercalia? Tick one.

- a type of pudding
- a roman festival
- a pop band

3. Write two things that people might do to celebrate Valentine's Day.

4. What do Cupid's arrows do?

5. Fill in the missing word:

Valentine's Day is celebrated on the 14th _____ every year.