Make a Roman Shield
Aim

• I can record my observations, review and revisit ideas.
• I can improve my art and design techniques.
A Roman shield was called a **scutum**.

It was quite light so that it could be held in one hand.

It was curved so that it would fit around a soldier’s body to protect him from blows.

It was wide enough so that soldiers could join their scutums together in formation in battle.

The metal protrusion on the front could also be used to attack the enemy by using it in a punching motion.

**The circular boss in the middle was used to punch with!**
Design Your Shield

Ensure that your decorative design shows off your strength. Designs often included:

• wings;
• eagles;
• lightning bolts.

Why not research some powerful Roman gods to help you with your design?