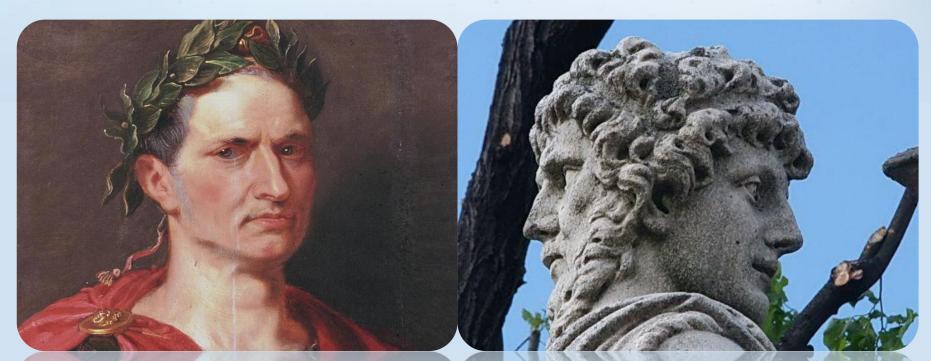
The New Year



- Today, the New Year is a holiday celebrated by many peoples in accordance with the calendar. The custom of celebrating the New Year already existed in ancient Mesopotamia in the third millennium BC. Beginning of the year from January 1, it was established by the Roman ruler Julius Caesar in 46 BC.
- •In ancient Rome, this day was dedicated to Janus the god of choice, doors and all the beginnings. The month of January was named in honor the god Janus, who was depicted with two faces: one looked forward, and the other back.



 Many people greeted the New Year at different times - one in April, one in October. Eskimos holiday comes with the first snow. How swirled white, fresh and fluffy flakes, then it's time to magic.

The New Year in Australia



- •Although Christmas trees are dressed up for the holiday for more than two thousand years, but there was also the custom of the New Year to grow in pots or tubs cherries. So for a holiday in many homes flourished and fragrant delicate aroma of sweet and elegant Slavic cherry.
- The first Christmas garland lit in America at the White House in 1895.
- The first greeting card was printed in London in 1843.
- •The film "Irony of Fate, or with good steam" show on television for 34 years in a row. It can be called the tradition of Russian New Year.