

Thomas Eaton Primary Academy



Year 3/4

Topic : The Romans

Head

Heart

Hand

- Explore the story of how Rome was founded by Romulus and Remus and how the city expanded into an empire.
- Investigate how society was structured in ancient Rome.
- Research what daily life was like for the ancient Romans.
- Discover what the ancient Romans did for entertainment.
- Explore what the ancient Romans believed in and who their gods and goddesses were.
- Identify Italy and its major cities on a map and explore its geographical features.
- Explore the tourist attractions of Rome and analyse the city as a holiday resort.
- Identify similarities and differences between Italy and Britain.

- Read Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit.
- Write letters and diaries in role.
- Newspaper reports - interviews.
- Drama and role play - hot seating.
- Oracy debate.

- Adding key information to classroom world map
- Make a Roman mosaic inspired by examples the Romans left behind.
- Use clay to create a reproduction of an ancient Roman artefact.
- Design and make a Roman drawstring purse.
- Design and make a Roman catapult.
- Participate in a school based Roman Day.

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Why were the Romans important for Britain? Century 1st (10 BC) - 5th (410 AD)

Key Events		Detail
First invasion of Britain	55BC	Led by Julius Caesar but failed
Claudius invades Britain	43AD	Claudius leads the first successful invasion
Rebellion against Romans	60AD	Tribes lead by Boudicca attack Roman forces
Romans leave Britain	410AD	Romans leave Britain and return to Italy



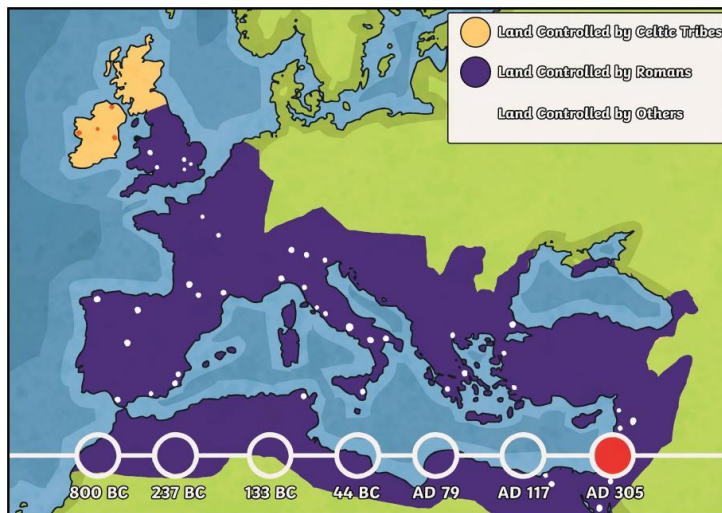
Key Questions: Can you answer them all?

1. Why was Rome so powerful?
2. Why did the Romans want to invade Britain?
3. What buildings and events did the Romans introduce to Britain?
4. How significant were the Romans for Britain?
5. Why did the Roman Empire fall?

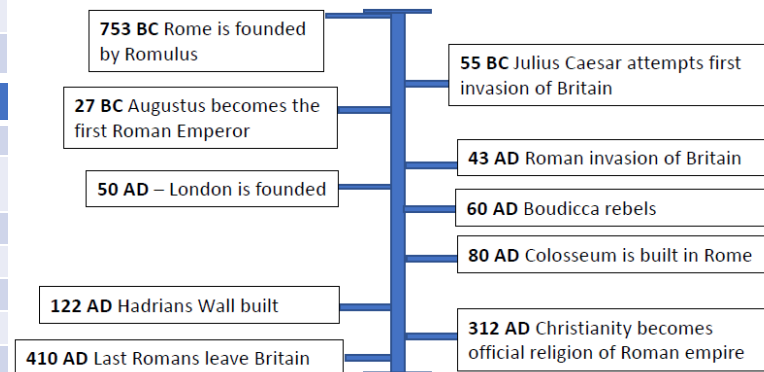
Important People	
Emperor Claudius	First Roman emperor to successfully invade Britain
Julius Caesar	Famous Roman leader who attempted to invade Britain
Boudicca	Saxon queen who fought back against the Romans
Paulinus	Roman governor (ruler) of Britain in AD60
Romulus and Remus	Mythical twin brothers, and founders of Rome

Key terms	
Invasion	One country attacking another to take it over
Legion	One unit of the Roman army; had 4,000 to 6,000 soldiers in. Led by a centurion .
Emperor	The leader of an empire. Similar to a king or queen.
Amphitheatre	Where the Romans would go to be entertained.
Temple	A place of worship. A house of a Roman god or goddess.
Mosaic	One picture made up of thousands of small tiles (<i>tessellates</i>)
Senate	The Roman government.

Map showing the lands of the Romans and Celts



Timeline



What legacy did the Romans leave behind in Britain?

Language	Latin, the official Roman language, forms the roots of many of our words
Buildings	Public baths, amphitheatres, temples can all be seen around Britain
Names	We use Roman names for months (January, July) and planets (Mars, Jupiter)