

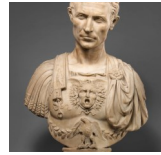
Year 4 Autumn 1: The Roman Empire



The arrival of the Romans to Britain and their occupation for over 350 years marks a turning point in the history of Britain. They introduced organised cities, roads, villas and even public baths connected through impressive systems of well engineered roads.

The Romans were able to keep control of Britain through use of their disciplined and well organised army which shortly after 410 AD left the Britons to rule themselves.

Significant Individuals



Julius Ceasar

Roman ruler who invaded Britain twice but failed.



Queen Boudicca

leader of the Iceni who rebelled against the Romans.

Main enquiry questions

Why did Roman Emperor Claudius leave warm Italy to invade cold, wet Britain?

How was the Roman lifestyle very different from the Celts who lived in Britain at the time of the invasion?

Why did Boudicca start a rebellion and what image do we have of her today?

How were the Romans able to keep control over such a vast Empire?

How did this great 400 year Empire come to an end?

How have the Romans influenced our lives today?

Key Concepts

Empire A group of countries ruled by a single person, government or country.

Invasion To try to take over a place by force .

Military Anything to do with soldiers or armies

Settlement When people start a community in a fixed place, this is a settlement.

English Texts

This term in English we will be studying the following texts:

Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll

The Iron Man by Ted Hughes

Maths learning

This term in Maths we will be studying:

Place Value to 10,000

Addition and Subtraction

History links	French	Art	PE	Music	RE	Computing	PSHE
The Roman Empire	Phonetics + Seasons	Storytelling through art	Invasion Games— Tag Rugby	Mama Mia	What kind of world did Jesus want?	Computing Systems and Networks—The Internet	Families and Relationships

Our Curriculum Elements for this half term.










Trips, activities and or visits this term:



Visit to RAMM museum
for a Roman Empire day
(14th November)

A morning of story-telling
with Clive Pig—
Romans v Celts



<p>Learning Hook</p>		<p>In Adventure Island, the class will construct a Roman aqueduct.</p>
<p>Fieldwork and living history.</p>		<p>Visit to the Exeter RAMM museum for a day of 'hands on' Roman activities.</p>
<p>Written outcome</p>		<p>Explanation writing—What have the Romans ever done for us?</p>
<p>Creative Outcome</p>		<p>Roman comics</p>
<p>Adventure</p>		<p>Cooking 'Roman' food—flatbread Roman games. Make apple juice.</p>
<p>Celebration</p>		<p>Presentation about the Romans.</p>
<p>Retrieval Practice</p>		<p>Quiz—10 things pupils need to know about the Roman Empire.</p>



Learning & growing together,
taking every opportunity.

RESPECT · ADVENTURE · ACHIEVE

Curriculum Overview: Year 4 Autumn 1:

The Roman Empire

Spellings for the half term

Week 1

measure
treasure
pleasure
enclosure
creature
furniture
picture
nature
adventure

Week 2

accident
accidentally
address
answer
appear
arrive
believe
bicycle
actual
actually

Week 3

Lucy's
Tom's
girl's
boy's
woman's
child's
man's
dog's
cat's

Week 4

peace
piece
plain
plane
rain
reign
rein
weather
whether
who's
whose

Week 5

calendar
breath
breathe
build
busy
business
caught
centre
century
certain

Week 6

early
earth
circle
complete
consider
continue
decide
describe
different
difficult
disappear

Week 7

Suggested Texts to read at home with your children :

Empire's End— A Roman Story

Leila Rasheed



Empire's End: A Roman Story is part of the VOICES series that celebrates the lives of BAME protagonists during key eras of British history. This book tells the tale of a young North African girl who sets out on a danger-filled journey to Britain during Roman times. This is a gripping adventure that offers a new perspective into the myriad of Roman narratives shared in schools and is full of details that immerse readers in knowledge of life in Roman times.

Queen of Darkness

Tony Bradman



With the Celtic tribes of Ancient Britain leaving no records, we only have the Roman accounts of what happened during Boudicca's revolt. Tony Bradman has taken details from Tacitus' description of the Iceni queen and the battles she led in order to create a vivid and gripping story told by Rhianna, who witnesses the events of a turbulent time in British history.