

Year: 5

Term: Autumn 1



# The Romans

Enquiry Question: Was Roman rule good for Britain?

**Key Questions:**

- Why was Rome so powerful?
- Why did the Romans want to invade Britain?
- Why did the Roman Empire fail?
- Where did the Romans come from?
- What was their daily life like and how does that compare to now?
- What did Bouddica do that was so important?
- What was the legacy of the Romans?
- What happened to Britain after the Romans left?

**Key Facts:**

- At its height, the Roman empire spanned across Europe, North Africa and the Middle East.
- Roman Britain was a province of the Roman Empire from 43 to 409 AD.
- The Romans originated from Italy and were annoyed with Britain for helping the Gauls (the French) fight against the Roman general Julius Caesar.
- The Romans came to Britain looking for riches: land, slaves, and mostly, iron, lead, zinc, copper, silver and gold. \*They stayed in Britain from AD 43 to AD 410; almost four hundred years!
- Legacy: The Romans left their legacy all over the country. They gave Britain new towns, roads, plants, animals, a new religion and ways of reading and counting (currency too). New ways of life including visiting the Roman baths, where people could wash, swim and meet friends.
- The 'Aurelian Moors' are the first recorded African community living in Britain. It is likely that they settled and had families in Britain.

**Key Vocabulary and Glossary:**

Glossary:	
Conquest	The act of taking over a country or group of people
Empire	Large group of States or countries controlled by one powerful ruler or government
Emperor	The ruler of an empire
Fortress	castle or other large strong building, or a well-protected place, which is intended to be difficult for enemies to enter.
Invasion	An
Legion	A large group of soldiers who form part of an army
Senate	The senate was a major political body throughout the history of Ancient Rome
Rebellion	Fighting back and opposing the people who have attacked you.
Celts	The Iron Age occupants of Britain
Iceni	a tribe that occupied the territory of present-day Norfolk and Suffolk and, under its queen Boudicca (Boadicea), revolted against Roman rule
Raid	Sudden armed attack against a place

**Key People:**

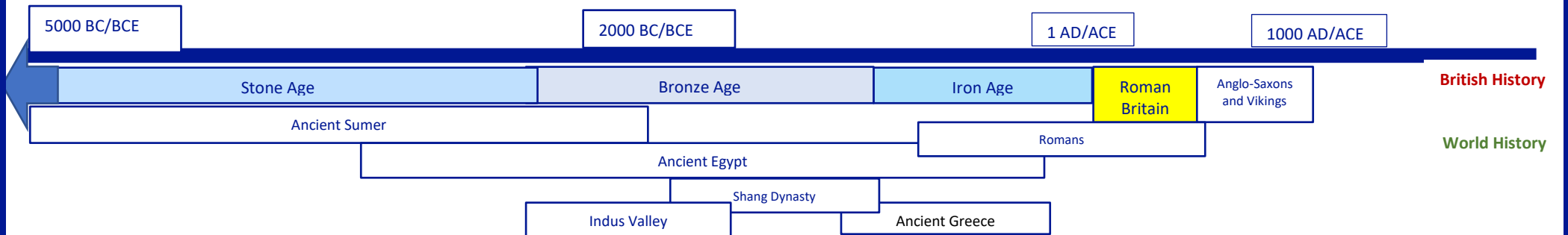
- Queen Boudicca was the Queen of the British Iceni tribe who fought against the Roman Empire.
- Julius Caesar laid the foundation for the Roman Empire and raided Britain.



**Roman Empire Map**

This map shows the areas of the world that were part of the Roman Empire when it was at its largest and most powerful in 117AD/ACE. Do you recognise any of the modern day countries that were at this time, part of the Roman Empire?

54 BC	43 AD	49 AD	60AD	122-128AD	306 AD	AD409
Julius Caesar attempts to invade Britain	Romans invade and take over Britain	Roman London founded	Queen Boudica's revolt against the Romans fails	Hadrian builds a wall on the Scottish Border	Constantine the Great declared emperor at York	The last Roman troops withdraw from Britain.





# Autumn 1 – Year 5 – Roman Britain - Homework



**CLASSES 5BH AND 5GT**  
Homework to be completed and returned by  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

*Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome to year 5! Our topic this half term is Roman Britain. We will be learning about the Romans and their impact on Britain and historical legacy.*

## Ancient Romans – Homework Tasks

You have a scrap book to use to complete your homework project. Over the next six weeks you may wish to complete some of these activities or make some up of your own.

### Writing:

1. Write a newspaper article based on a Roman myth.
2. Write a fact file about a famous Roman or Tribal Britain.
3. Write your own Roman myth.
4. Write an information booklet about childhood in Roman times

### History/ Art:

1. Draw a mythical beast.
2. Make a model of the colosseum.
3. Create a poster advertising Roman chariot racing.
4. Design your dream Roman house.
5. Create a video of an aspect of Roman Britain of your choice.

Upload



### Challenge!

Can you find any example of Roman architecture in London?  
Can you photograph Roman Remains and stick them into your scrap book?

Remember, great homework will lead to lots of extra **gems** for your house!

## Roman learning links:

<http://projectbritain.com/london/history/romans.html>

<https://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/schools/learning-resources/roman-merchant>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/history-ks2-romans-index/zvgk47h>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/romans/10-facts-about-the-ancient-romans/>



## Places to Visit:

- The Temple of Mithras- 12 Walbrook, London EC4N 8AA
- Guildhall Art Gallery (remains of a Roman Amphitheatre on site).
- British Museum or The Museum of London.
- **NEW!** The Vine Street Museum – 12 Jewry St, London, EC3N 2HT

## Reading

Remember to read each day and get an ad reading record. Don't forget to collect your rewards for reading!



## Spelling

Don't forget spelling rules for your Spelling words go home with you Friday for your test the following week!



## Maths

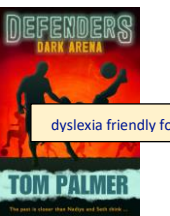
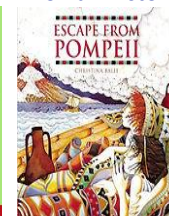
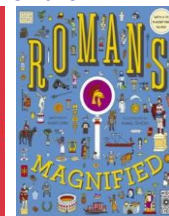
Remember to revise your **time tables**.



And please don't forget to log onto **Times Table Rock Stars**

## Recommended Reads:

Learn about the Romans



Roman Historical Fiction:

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