

# Knowledge Organiser History Year 3 Spring

## The Bronze and Iron Ages



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School  
 "Love one another as I have loved you"

### Prior knowledge

- Life existed before your grandparents were born.
- Millions of years ago, dinosaurs lived.
- Understanding of the chronology and what life was like in the Stone Age.

### Historical skills developed in this topic

- Recall, research, select, organise and communicate findings in different ways.
- Develop a chronological understanding of the Bronze Age and Iron Age and how and why things changed and developed through looking at different sources.
- Make links and connections with other historical themes and periods and between local, national and wider contexts.
- Devise and answer historically valid questions.
- Construct the past from a range of sources.
- Think critically, weigh evidence, sift arguments.

### Historical knowledge and skills covered in this topic

- Children will learn that the Bronze Age spanned from 2000BCE to 800BCE and began the smelting of copper mixed with tin to create bronze. This allowed stronger and improved utensils and tools to be developed.
- Children will learn that the Iron Age spanned from 800BCE to 43AD by smelting iron.
- Children will know the Iron Age developed skills in creating pottery, jewellery, clothing and buildings.
- Children will learn that the military became more formal and more social groups were created.
- Children will discover that throughout the Bronze and Iron Ages there were changes to burial patterns.
- Children will know that Iron Age families lived in more settled communities and were able to use their land better.

### Key words

- Ard:** an iron plough used in Iron Age times  
**Artefact:** an object left as evidence of life in an earlier time  
**Barrow mound:** a burial mound used in Bronze Age times  
**Bronze:** 90% copper and 10% tin  
**Celtic:** the name often given to tribes that lived in Europe and beyond in Iron Age times  
**Hoard:** a large collection of artefacts discovered in one place  
**Hill fort:** a fortified settlement from Iron Age times  
**Iron:** a chemical element, hardened by the process of 'smelting'  
**Iron Age:** a period of history from around 800BCE until the invasion of the Romans in 43AD  
**Roundhouse:** a circular dwelling  
**Spindles and whorls:** instruments used to make clothes  
**Torc:** an item of jewellery  
**Tribes:** names given to the groupings in Britain  
**Wattle and daub:** material for constructing walls on roundhouses

### Images

