

# Knowledge Organiser History Year 4 Autumn



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

## The Romans

### Prior knowledge

- Knowledge that the Stone Age was when early humans used tools from stone.
- The Stone Age is also known as pre-history.
- The Stone Age had three periods - Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic.
- The Bronze Age was a period in time when humans used tools and weapons made from bronze - it began when the Beaker People arrived from Europe and brought with them new ways of doing things.
- The Iron Age was a period in time when people used tools and weapons made from iron.
- Settlements became larger as tribes were better able to defend themselves.
- The United Kingdom is a country in the continent of Europe.
- The four countries of the United Kingdom.
- London is the capital city of England, a country in the United Kingdom.

### Historical knowledge and skills covered in this topic

- Children will pose questions and investigate answers.
- Children will select, organise and communicate findings using a range of appropriate genres.
- Children will compare and contrast different themes, periods and perspectives.
- Children will use and understand terminology and concepts.
- Children will use sources, representations and interpretations to support answers.
- Children will describe what life was like for all groups of people during Roman Britain.
- Children will explain how Britain changed during Roman Britain using a timeline to help.
- Children will explain key leaders that influenced Roman Britain.
- Children will explain how we know about Roman Britain.
- Children will study Roman artefacts/tools and explain what their uses were.
- Children will describe the technology seen in Roman Britain.
- Children will explain what the Romans brought to Britain and explain the legacy that the Romans left to the British.
- Children will describe the causes and consequences of the Roman invasion and then subsequently the causes and consequences of their return to Rome.

### Key words

**Boudica:** Queen of the Iceni Tribe  
**Cavalry:** Roman soldiers on horseback  
**Celts:** Iron Age people  
**Centurion:** the army leader of a group of soldiers  
**Emperor:** somebody who rules an empire or is the head of state in an empire  
**Empire:** a number of individual nations that are all controlled by the government or ruler of one particular country  
**Forum:** the central area of the Roman town  
**Gladiator:** a person trained to fight purely as a means for Roman entertainment  
**Infantry:** Roman foot soldiers  
**Infrastructure:** the basic facilities such as transport, communications, power supplies, and buildings, which enable a society to work  
**Invasion:** to try and take over a place by force  
**Insula:** a stone building containing flats lived in by the poor  
**Jutes:** people from the Jutland peninsula (Germany and Southern Denmark) who invaded Britain around AD 410  
**Legacy:** something left behind that helps us remember someone or something  
**Legion:** a large group of Roman Soldiers  
**Rebellion:** fighting back and opposing the people who have attacked you  
**Roman:** related to or connected with ancient Rome and its empire  
**Roman Villa:** a large stone house owned by the more wealthy  
**Scots:** people from Ireland who eventually settled in Scotland

