

Romans Knowledge Mat Year 4

Sticky Knowledge- What do I need to know?

The Romans main goal was to make their empire as big and powerful as possible. They invaded Britain because it had lots of materials including iron, lead, copper, silver, and gold that the Romans needed to support their growing empire and army.

Boudica (also known as Boudicca or Boadicea and in Welsh as Buddug) was a Celtic Queen who led a rebellion against the Roman occupation of Britain. Although her campaign was initially successful, her forces were defeated at the Battle of Watling Street in 61 AD.

The Roman army was so successful as they were well trained. They were also successful due to their organisation, tactics, weaponry, experience and the fact that they built roads.

Roman way of life was far more sophisticated in contrast to the Celtic lifestyle. We know this because of the remains of villas and mosaics that we still find today.

The Roman Empire eventually came to an end through too many emperors trying to rule one empire, Romans becoming Christians, barbarians becoming soldiers and due to not having enough money.

The Romans must have been ahead of their time as life in Britain is still influenced by them today in terms of money, calendars, roads and Latin.

Key Vocabulary- What words do I need to know and understand?

invade	To enter a place with force and the intention of occupying it.
emperor	The Roman leader of the Roman Empire during the imperial period
Julius Caesar	Julius Caesar was probably the best known Roman leader. Londinium He extended the empire by invading other lands.
Boudicca	Boudicca was a queen of the British Celtic Iceni Tribe who led an uprising against the occupying forces of the Roman Empire.
archaeology	The study of the lives of people in the past
Barbarian	a member of a people not belonging to one of the great civilizations (Greek, Roman, Christian).