

Castlefield School- History

Topic: Roman Britain Year: Four Theme: Ancient civilisations

• In AD44, The Romans capture Colchester. It is the first fortress in Roman Britain and made the capital city in AD49

Important facts

- In AD61, Queen Boudica led a rebellion against the Romans.
- The Romans established themselves in Britain and developed: paved straight roads, infrastructure such as sewers
- They also influenced the:
 - Written and spoken language
 - Measurement system
 - Way of life
 - Cities
 - Buildings (built out of bricks and stone)
 - Technology
 - Religion (e.g. Christianity)
- Roman Britain was a nation rather that a number of tribes.



Julius Caesar was a famous Roman Leader who won many battles for Rome and helped the Roman Empire grow. He created the Julian calendar which is the basis for the calendar we use today.



Hadrian's Wall was a stone barrier to separate the Romans and the Picts tribes in Scotland.



The Romans built straight roads in order for the Roman Army to be able to move soldiers around as quickly as possible.

Key Vocabulary			
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		
Fortress	A castle or other large strong building, or a well-protected place		
invasion	To try and take over a place by force		
legacy	A direct result of something in history and which continues to exist after it is over		
Picts	Ancient tribe who lived in northern Scotland		
Queen Boudica	Leader of the Iceni tribe who led a rebellion against the Roman invasion.		
raid	A sudden attack against a place		
tribes	A group of people of the same race, language, and customs.		



c. AD 43: The Romans c. 55-54 BC: Julius Caesar first invades Britain.

conquer Britain. This marks the end of the Iron Age.

c. AD 80: Pompeii was destroyed by the volcano, Vesuvius.

c. AD 122: Hadrian's Wall is built to protect against the raiding Northern tribes, the Picts.

c. AD 250: Picts from Scotland, Scots from Ireland, Angles, Saxons and Jutes from Germany and Scandinavia begin to threaten the Romans in Britain.

> c. AD 314: Christianity becomes legal in the

> > Roman Empire.

which was under attack. Angles, Saxons and Jutes make their way from Germany and South Denmark.

AD 410: Romans

leave Britain to

defend Rome

c. 27 BC: Augustus became the first elected emperor.

c. AD 44: The Romans capture Colchester. It is the first fortress in Roman Britain.

c. AD 100: London grows to become an important location in Britain. At the same time, the Colosseum, in Rome, was completed.

plan was created to rule Britain. It is divided into two provinces.

c. AD 212: Roman Britain - a