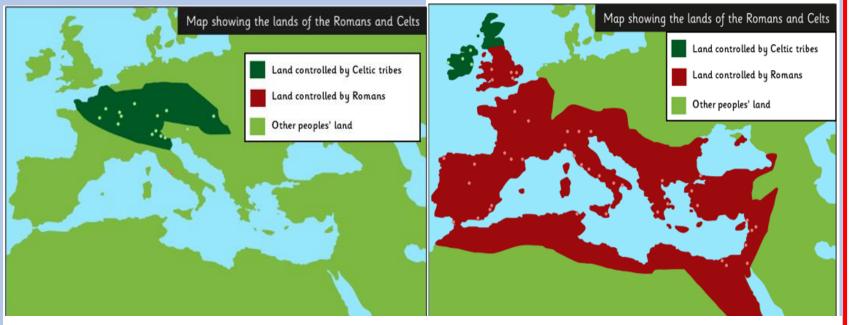


# Knowledge Organiser: The Romans

Important Topic Vocabulary	
armour	Special metal clothing that soldiers wore for protection in battle.
conquest	The act of taking over a country or group of people.
empire	A group of countries or territories under the rule of one emperor.
invader	A country or army that forcibly enters another country to take control of it.
legion	A unit in the ancient Roman army of 3000 to 6000 men
source	Gives us clues about the past. These can be primary or secondary.
tribe	A group of people following the same beliefs living as a community with a leader.
warrior	A fighter who was brave and experienced in fighting battles.

## What you already know!

- BC stands for Before Christ.
- During The Stone Age, villagers lived near rivers for food, water and farming. They were craftsmen and carved their own tools and methods of transportation such as boats.
- Britain changed throughout the Stone Age,
   Bronze Age and Iron Age.
- The capital city of Italy is Rome.



8000BC. Most of the land owned by the Celts and other groups.

117AD. The Height of the Roman Empire.

Before the Romans invaded, there was no single king or queen ruling the nation. Britain was made up of different tribes.

Around 2000 years ago, Britain was ruled by the Celts. This changed when the Roman army began building their empire across Europe.

Rome was led by a number of different emperors.

An emperor is a man who rules an empire or is the head of state in an empire.

#### Queen Boudicca

Queen Boudicca was the Queen of the British Celtic Iceni tribe, who lived in what is now East Anglia, England.

Some Celtic tribes wanted revenge against the Romans. So in 60 AD Queen Boudicca raised a huge army in revolt against Roman rule. They went on a rampage, burning the towns of Colchester and London. The Roman army fought back and both sides had a fierce battle.



The Romans won!

#### Julius Caesar

Julius Caesar was a Roman general and politician, who named himself dictator of the Roman Empire. He laid the foundation for the Roman Empire and raided Britain. The Romans first arrived in Britain in AD43. Caesar wrote "The Britons have a huge number of cattle, they use gold coins or iron and then produce tin". This helps to explain why Caesar and his army invaded Britain. Rome wanted to get their hands on all of this and become richer!



#### Did you know?

In Roman times, urine was used to clean clothes and as a tooth whitener in toothpaste!

Purple clothing was a status symbol in Roman times.
Only emperors were allowed to dress completely in purple!

#### Brilliant Books

Truth or busted: fact or fiction behind the Romans (By Peter Hepplewhite)

Horrible Histories - The Rotten Romans

### Wonderful Websites

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfg8

https://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic\_figures/boudicca
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Ancient Rome



The Colosseum in Rome



Hadrian's Wall



Modern-day Rome

55 BC Julius Caesar attempts to invade Britain. 43 AD Roman invasion of Britain. 60 AD
Boudicca rebels

122 AD Hadrian's Wall was built. 410 AD Last Romans leave Britain.

753 BC (Iron Age) Rome is founded by Romulus. 27 BC Augustus becomes the first Roman Emperor.

50 AD London is founded 80 AD
Colosseum is built in Rome

312 AD Christianity becomes official religion of Roman Empire.