

# Year 4 Knowledge Organiser - How did the Romans impact Britain?

Who are the Romans and why did they invade Britain?



How did the Romans impact the roads?



How did the Romans impact bathing and plumbing?



How did the Romans impact currency?



## **I know...**

The Romans tried to invade Britain twice. They were led by Julius Caesar who was seeking revenge on Britain because they helped to fight the Celts in Gaul. The first attempt was unsuccessful which led to Caesar returning a year on to try again.

The invasion led to greater trade links between Rome and Britain. This made it easier to move goods across the Roman Empire by road and sea. Due to the demand for goods a port was built nearby a small collection of farms in the South of Britain. The Romans called this area Londinium, now known as London.

The Romans brought their knowledge of engineering to Britannia, which made life safer, cleaner and more comfortable. Roman towns had running water, which was piped into public drinking fountains, bath houses and toilets. Some of these plumbing techniques are still used today!

## **Did you know...**

- Emperor Constantine made Christianity legal in AD 313.
- The emperor, Hadrian, ordered that a wall should be built along the frontier of Caledonia and Britannia in AD 122.
- The Romans used gold, silver and bronze coins as payment.

## **Keyword**

## **Definition**

Invade

Enter a country or region forcefully.

Revenge

Hunting or harming someone in return.

Currency

The type of money used in a specific country.

Consequence

The impact an action has on something.

Cause

A thing that gives rise to an action.

Retreat

To return or go back from something.

## **Key skills:**

- Map and atlas skills -looking at location of roads and route of invasion.
- Using a variety of primary and secondary resources
- Clay skills