Class 2 Summer 1 2025
The Roman Empire and its Impact on Britain

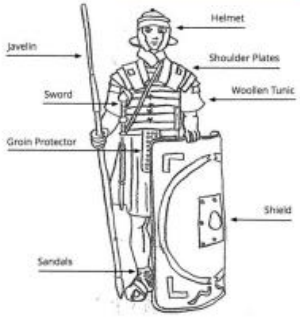
What will we be learning?

- Know how early Rome grew to become the Roman Empire.
- Learn why the Romans invaded Britain.
- Investigate how the Britons resisted occupation.
- Know how the Roman Empire maintained control over Britain.
- Learn about what life was like in the North West region during Roman times.

Key vocabulary

- **Historical vocabulary:** past, present, today, tomorrow, future, years ago, timeline, order, before, after
- **Source:** Something that gives us information about the past.
- **Evidence:** The information historians take from sources.
- **Change:** To make different.
- **Tribe:** a group of people including many families and friends who have the same language and beliefs.
- **The Iceni Tribe:** a tribe of British Celts.
- **Celts:** tribes of people who lived in Europe and Britain and who fought the Romans.
- **Romans:** a person who lived in Rome or the Roman Empire in ancient times.
- **Empire:** a large group of countries ruled over by one ruler.
- **Invasion:** to enter somewhere as an enemy.
- **Conquer:** take control of by force.

Maps showing how the Roman Empire increased from 400BC to 100AD.

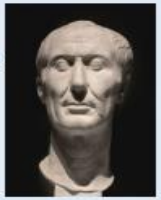


Roman towns were laid out in a grid. In the middle was the forum where people came to trade.

Important People

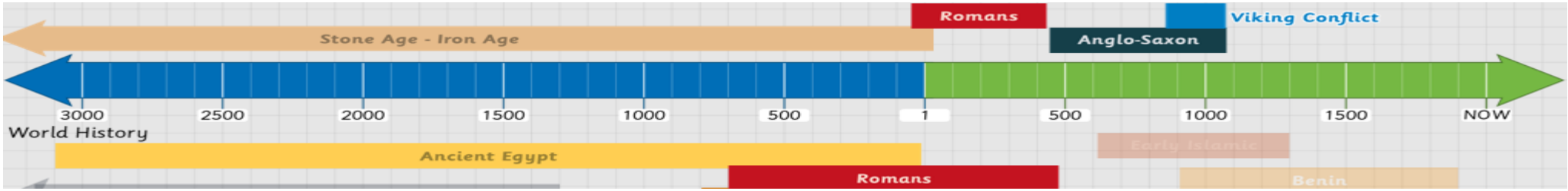
Julius Caesar (100 BC-44 BC)

A famous Roman leader who invaded Britain twice, in 55BC and in 54BC. He won many battles for Rome and helped the Roman Empire grow. He was only emperor for a year until he was murdered.



Claudius (10 BC- 54 AD)

Claudius led the successful invasion of Britain in 43AD. He did a lot for the empire, such as building many roads and canals and improving the army.

Boudicca (30 AD-61 AD)

An Iceni Queen who led a rebellion against the Roman invasion.