

Who were the Romans?

- The Romans originated in the city of **Rome** in modern-day Italy.
- The Romans ruled countries across the globe - including Great Britain. This area was known as the **Roman Empire**.
- The empire had a huge impact on the **language, culture and history** of countries in Europe, the Middle East and even Northern Africa.



A map showing the countries in the Roman Empire.

*Next half-term, Year 3 are going to be learning all about the **Romans** in our History learning.*

Read the information below to find out more about our History learning.

Don't forget to complete your project too!



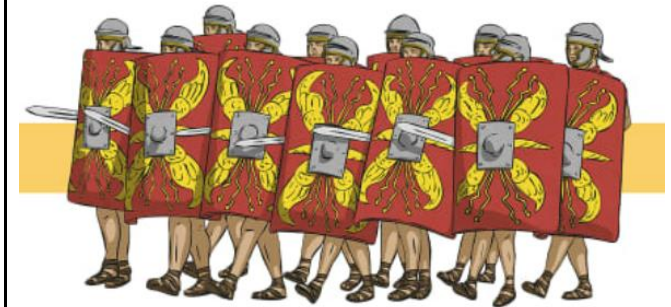
A small map of Italy, where the Romans originated from.

A Roman horse and chariot.

A Roman soldier.

When did the Romans invade Britain?

- Over 2000 years ago, Britain was home to lots of different tribes of people called the **Celts**.
- The first Roman to try and invade Britain was **Julius Caesar**. He tried to invade Britain in **55 and 54 BC** but he was unsuccessful both times!
- In **AD 43**, under **Emperor Claudius**, the Romans set out to invade Britain once again and this time, they were successful!



An image of the Roman army.

The Roman army

- The Roman army helped the Roman Empire expand and **conquer** large areas of land.
- The soldiers were **well-trained** and **disciplined**.
- Only men were allowed to fight in the Roman army, and these soldiers were divided into different groups depending on who they were and what their job was.
- At its largest, it is thought that the Roman army was once half a million soldiers!



An image of a Roman shield used in battles.

Life in the Roman times

- Roman **society** was divided into citizens, non-citizens and slaves.
- **Latin** was the main language of the Roman empire.
- Each town or city had public baths, known as the '**thermae**', where Romans would go to keep clean.
- Rich Romans in towns and cities lived in houses called a 'domus' and those in the countryside lived in **villas**.



An image of Roman public baths.

Project for Home Learning

Can you find out more about the Romans and present your learning in a creative way?

You could...

- **create a powerpoint presentation showing your research**
- **create a 3D model of a Roman villa**
- **create a 3D model of a Roman coin**
- **sketch/paint a picture of a Roman soldier**
- **create an information booklet all about the Roman times.**

...or anything else you can think of!