

Woodlands Academy Knowledge Organiser Year 3

Watch Out, Romans are Coming!

Where did the Romans come from?	Guest spot: Boudicca	Vocabulary	
The Romans lived in Rome, a city in the centre of the country of Italy. Rome started to grow from a small town into a larger and larger city around the year 753 B.C. They were one of the most powerful, clever and successful ancient civilizations ever. They ruled over nearly all of Europe and most of north Africa, including Egypt. It is thought that one of the reasons the Romans invaded Britain was to conquer land, gain more slaves and collect the many precious resources in Britain including metals such as lead, tin, gold and silver.	 Born: 30 AD Died: 61 AD Boudicca was a member of the Iceni tribe who lived in Norfolk. The Iceni were initially on good terms with the Romans who had invaded Britain in 43 AD. Boudicca was married to King Prasutagus and they had two daughters. After Prasutagus died, the Roman Army wanted to take over all of his land. Boudica and her army first attacked Roman Colchester (Camulodunum) and then went on to attack London (Londonium). Boudicca's army was eventually defeated and Boudicca is thought to have poisoned herself to avoid capture. 	 Invasion- One country attacking another to take it over. Legion- One unit of the Roman army; had 4,000 to 6,000 soldiers in. Lead by a centurion. Emperor- The leader of an empire. Similar to a kingor queen. Amphitheatre- Where the Romans would go to be entertained. Mosaic- One picture made up of thousands of small tiles (tessellates). Senate- The Romangovernment. Celts- People living in Britain and some parts of Europe after the Iron Age. BC (Before Christ) - Used to show the years before Jesus was born. AD (Anno Domini) - Used to show the years after Jesus was born. Rebel (noun) - A person who fights against an authority. 	
Battle Tactics		Key Dates	
The Strength of the ArmyThe Roman army was the largest and meanest fighting force in the ancient world. One of the main reasonsRome became so powerful was because of the strength of its army. It conquered a vast empire that stretchedfrom Britain all the way to the Middle East. The army was very advanced for its time. The soldiers were thebest trained, they had the best weapons and the best armour.Working as a TeamThe Roman Army worked as a team - they did not see themselves as individuals as they wanted to succeed as ateam. The Roman Army was very organised and they followed all of the instructions their leader gave to them.FormationsThe Romans used various formations to protect themselves. Formations include the wedge and the tortoise.		753 BC 55 BC	Rome is founded by Romulus. Julius Caesar attempts first invasion of Britain.
		27 BC	Augustus becomes the first Roman Emperor.
		43 AD	Roman invasion of Britain.
		60AD	Tribes lead by Boudicca attack Roman force.
		410AD	Romans leave Britain and return to Italy.

