## Why did the Romans come to Britain?



Hook: watch clips of Romans in daily life in Rome - why would they come to Britain? Use maps and role play a Roman take over!

HISTORY: researching to find information about daily life in Rome and the start of the Roman period in Britain. Study life as a Roman soldier - role play. Who were Julius Caesar, Claudius, Hadrian and Boudicca?

DT: examine Roman buildings/structures and styles.

Create Roman shields and armour. Why was Hadrian's Wall built?

Examine wheels and axles to see how chariots would have been constructed using artefacts from the time.

GEOGRAPHY: Locating Rome and the Empire. Where did the Romans establish their Empire and where did they establish themselves in Britain? Where is Hadrian's Wall? SCIENCE: Materials and their uses – why are Roman structures still around today?

GEOGRAPHY: How did settlements in the UK change? What impact did this have on daily life and on the development of areas such as London?

> HISTORY: What impact did Roman settlement have? Why did it have such an impact? Resistance - Boudicca!

DT: evaluate the impact of new styles of buildings on everyday life and society. Make replicas of structures such as aqueducts and columns in buildings. Design and create a chariot decorated in style of tribal or Roman design of choice.

SCIENCE: What were the effects of these changes on daily life?

## DISCREET

MFL, PSHE, RE AND MUSIC: one pm session a week

PE: two pm sessions per week.

COMPUTING AND SCIENCE: blocked as necessary.

## **Final event:**

Take part on a debate in the class - as a Roman - should we invade? As a native Britain - have the Romans been good for us?

GEOGRAPHY: Investigate a long term study using resources studied of how the face of the UK altered. Produce a map showing changes.

HISTORY: study changes in daily life. Imagine you are one of the tribal Britons - how would you react? How will you present your findings?

> DT: analyse effectiveness and developments in structures from round houses to stone structures - which do you prefer? Why?

> > SCIENCE: Link to current uses of materials and scientific investigations and findings.