

Summer term Topic work week 9 w/b 22nd June 2020

Geography:

Rocking Romans

Roman Towns

This week we are looking at the towns built by the Romans when they invaded Britain in 43AD. Unlike the tribes who lived in Britain before them, the Romans lived in big towns and cities with lots of people. When they came to Britain, the Romans needed to build somewhere for all the soldiers to live. The cities of York (which they called Eboracum) and London (Londinium) were built by the Romans. Inside a Roman town there would be a place called the forum which was used as a market and meeting place. Towns would also contain shops, homes and government buildings. The basilica was a building where council meetings would be held. The Romans built roads connecting the major towns and cities.

Did you know that Leicester used to be called Ratae by the Romans? You can read more about it on the Leicester City Council website:

<https://storyofleicester.info/city-stories/the-romans-in-leicester/>

The picture below shows what Leicester may have looked like in Roman times.



There are lots of websites you can look at which tell you a lot more about what it was like living in Roman times. Take a look!

<https://www.timetrips.co.uk/roman%20towns-towns.htm>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zq49wmn>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqtf34j/articles/ztqg4wx>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/ztryxbk>

Activity 1

Complete the separate sheet about Roman towns. Use a map of England to find out the modern names of the ancient Roman towns.

Extension: Can you add Leicester/Ratae on to your map?

Activity 2

Complete the Roman word search!

Art and D&T:

Choose one of the activities below:

Activity 1 - make a Roman diorama.

A diorama captures a moment in time! These can be made using a small box - a shoe box is perfect. Use your knowledge of the Romans to create a scene; this could be a Roman town, a battle or even a house! These don't need to be elaborate; you could use lego or playmobil in your model if you have some or draw pictures!



Watch this video which shows you how to make a diorama.

<https://www.incredibleart.org/lessons/elem/elem28.html>

Take a photo of your creation and send it in!

Activity 2 - bake Roman bread

See the separate sheet for the recipe and enjoy!