The Romans in Year 3/4 Chapter 6

Battle II: the Roman army in Wales

Time	Activity	Details	Cross-Curriculum and Literacy (also see below)	To be done/brought along
5 mins	Introduction	 Recap the gladiator lesson Introduce the Roman army. Give an overview of the rest of the lesson and what you will teach them. 	n/a	- n/a
15 mins	Invasion of Wales/ Britain	 Discuss the major events in the history of Roman Britain Whole class: bring volunteers to come to the front and hold images of key events, ask the class to put them into chronological order and show with cards whether or not they agree on the placement of each event Explain the Welsh tribes and their battles with Roman armies – go into detail about the Silures and Caerleon 	KS2 History: Chronological awareness: pupils should be given opportunities to use timelines to sequence events KS2 History: Organisation and communication: select, record, and organise historical information KS2 Literacy: Oracy: Public speaking, developing and explaining their ideas.	 Print images of major events in the History of Roman Britain –Julius Caesar's invasions, Claudius' invasion, Conquest of Wales, Boudicca's revolt, Construction of Hadrian's wall Yes/no or green/red cards for each pupil Accompanying PowerPoint slides
15 mins	Caesar reading/ comprehension	 Whole class: pick pupils to read out sentences of the simplified text: Julius Caesar's account of the invasion of Britain. Afterwards have the pupils answer a series of questions to check their understanding of the text 	KS2 History: Interpretations of history: identify the ways in which the past is represented and interpreted KS2 History: Historical knowledge and understanding: understand why people did things, what caused specific events and the consequences of those actions	 Work sheet with text on and with questions at the bottom with space to answer underneath. PowerPoint slide in background
5 mins	How was the Roman army so	- Ask why the children think the Roman army was good enough to invade Britain		

	effective?	 Line the class up and give simple instructions ie. One step to the left, right foot forward (this can be adapted depending on size of classroom, number of pupils etc) Explain importance of the army working together 		
10 mins	What do you already know about the Roman army?	 Whole class: carousel getting the pupils to speak out what they already know. In pairs: Given some statements and need to sort them into true or false Whole class: hold up cards to show whether they think each statement is true or false 	KS2 History: Questions to ask: What do you know about the Roman army? KS2 Literacy: Oracy: Public speaking, developing and explaining their ideas. KS2 History: Historical Enquiry: Pupils should be given opportunities to use a wide range of resources, e.g. visual sources.	- True or false slips - Power point slide showing a legionary for in the background - Powerpoint slides for each statement
15 mins	The Roman Soldier	 Discuss the soldiers in the army and the equipment that they used Give every pupil a work sheet asking them to name the equipment each Roman soldier carried Pupils who finish this activity quickly can complete the next activity on the sheet Whole class: bring pupils to the front to name the equipment of the soldier on the board and why they had it. Ask some pupils to read out what they think is good about Roman soldiers. 	KS2 History: Historical enquiry: ask and answer relevant questions about the past	 Powerpoint with pictures of a soldier A4 work sheet with a legionary at the centre. Lines coming off each part of his equipment with a space to name it. Box with the names of the equipment at the bottom of page. Power point slides with the blank soldier then with all of the labels
20 mins	Make a Roman sandal	 Explain why Roman soldiers built roads, and the importance of transporting large bodies of men and thus the importance of good footwear Pupils will then follow instructions provided to 	KS2 Art Craft and Design: Skills ladder creative development: Assemble and rearrange given material, ingredients and components in different ways to	- PowerPoint slide in background - Coloured paper/card (teachers could go in with strips of the

		make a paper Roman sandal. - OR you can do some marching at this point.	make simple constructions and products	card already cut out) - Instruction sheet of how to make the sandal
5 mins	Plenary	 Carousel around the class asking for examples of what they have learnt and what they found most interesting Recap the lesson Explain and hand out homework. 	KS2 History: Organisation and communication: select, record, and organise historical information KS2 Literacy: Oracy: Public speaking, developing and explaining their ideas.	- Plain paper - PowerPoint slide in the background
	Homework	- Homework sheet based around the Vindolanda tablets. The pupil has to put him/herself in the shoes of a Roman soldier posted to Hadrian's Wall and complete sentences by picking the word most appropriate for the Roman view point.	KS2 History: Historical Enquiry: Ask and answer relevant questions through creative design and reflect on their findings and knowledge.	- A4 sheet of homework.

1. Oracy

	Year 3	Year 4
	Learners are able to:	Learners are able to:
Speaking	 Explain information and ideas using relevant vocabulary Organise what they say so that listeners can understand, e.g. emphasising key points, sequencing an explanation Speak clearly, varying expression to help listeners Use language appropriate to more formal situations, e.g. during an assembly, talking to a visitor Keep in role and support others in role play Welsh medium statement: use the most common mutations usually correctly, e.g. ar ben 	 Explain information and ideas using supportive resources, e.g. on-screen and web-based materials Organise talk so that different audiences can follow what is being said, e.g. giving background information, providing a brief summary of main points Adapt talk showing understanding of the differences between informal talk with friends and more extended talk with a wider group Explore different situations through role play Welsh-medium statement: use the most common mutations correctly, e.g. fy nghalon
Listening	 Listen carefully and make connections between what they are learning and what they already know Check understanding by asking relevant questions or making relevant comments 	 Listen carefully to presentations and show understanding of main points After listening, respond, giving views on what the speaker has said
Collaboration	- Contribute to group discussion,	- Contribute to group discussion and

and discussion	sharing ideas and information	help everyone take part
	- Use talk purposefully to complete a	- Help a group to reach agreement,
	task in a group	e.g. considering reasons or
		consequences, keeping focus on
		the topic

2. Reading

	Year 3	Year 4
	Learners are able to:	Learners are able to:
Reading	- Use a range of strategies to make	- Use a range of strategies to make
Strategies	meaning from words and	meaning from words and
	sentences, including knowledge of	sentences, including knowledge of
	phonics, word roots, word families,	phonics, word roots, word
	syntax, text organisation and prior	families, syntax, text organisation
	knowledge of context	and prior knowledge of context
	- Read short information texts	- Read texts, including those with
	independently with concentration	few visual clues, independently
	- Read aloud using punctuation to	with concentration
	aid expression	- Use understanding of sentence
	- Skim to gain an overview of a text,	structure and punctuation to
	e.g. topic, purpose	make meaning
	- Look for specific information in	- Skim to gain the gist of a text or
	texts using contents, indexes,	the main idea in a chapter
	glossaries, dictionaries	- Scan for specific information
	- Use visual clues, e.g. illustration,	using a variety of features in
	photographs, diagrams and charts,	texts, e.g. titles, illustrations, key
	to enhance understanding	words
	- Identify different purposes of texts,	- Identify how texts differ in
	e.g. to inform, instruct explain	purpose, structure and layout
	- Identify how texts are organised,	- Find information and ideas from

	e.g. lists, numbered points,	web pages, using different search
	diagrams with arrows, tables and	methods, considering which are
	bullet points	the most efficient methods
	- Locate information on web pages	
	using screen features, e.g. toolbars,	
	side bars, headings, arrows	
Comprehension	- Accurately identify the topic and	- Accurately identify the main
	main ideas of a text, e.g. by	points and supporting information
	highlighting, using key words of	in texts
	the text	- Deduce connections between
	- Deduce ideas and information by	information, e.g. sequence,
	linking explicit statements, e.g.	importance
	cause and effect	- Explore information and ideas
	- Take an interest in information	beyond their personal experience
	beyond their personal experience	
Response and	- Use information from texts in their	- Select and use information and
analysis	discussion or writing	ideas from texts
	- Make links between what they	- Understand how something can
	read and what they already know	be represented in different ways,
	and believe about the topic	e.g. moving image, multi-modal
		and print.

3. Writing

	Year 3	Year 4
	Learners are able to:	Learners are able to:
Meaning,	- Write for different purposes and	- Adapt what they write to the
purposes,	readers choosing words for variety	purpose and reader, choosing
readers	and interest	words appropriately, e.g.
	- Include relevant details,	descriptive, persuasive language
	information or observations in	- Explain main idea(s) with
	their writing	supporting details, including
	- Note down ideas to use in writing	observations and explanations

	- Use on-screen functions, e.g. font,	where relevant
	colour, cut, paste, size, to present their work in ways to interest the reader and enhance meaning	 Gather ideas to plan writing Explore and use appropriately the different forms of writing on-
	- Review and improve sections of their work	screen to interact with others, e.g. websites, e-mails, blogs - Improve writing, checking for
		clarity and organisation
Structure and organisation	 Use a basic structure for writing Write using an introduction to the topic and a conclusion Present processes, event or reports in a clear sequence Use visual information if relevant, e.g. labelled diagrams 	 Use specific structures in writing, e.g. tables, questionnaires Write an introduction, develop a series of ideas and a conclusion Organise writing into logical sequences or sections by beginning to use paragraphs Use visual information, e.g. illustrations, diagrams and graphs which are clear and relevant to the written text
Language	 Use language appropriate to writing, including standard forms of English Use vocabulary related to the topic or subject context 	 Use language appropriate to writing, including standard forms of English Use subject-specific vocabulary independently
Grammar, punctuation, spelling, handwriting	 Start sentences in a variety of ways Use adjectives and adverbs to expand simple sentences and phrases Use connectives for causation and consequence, e.g. because, after Use full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and commas for lists 	 Vary the order of words, phrases and clauses in sentences Use adjectival and adverbial phrases to add interest and precision Use connectives to show links within sentences Use punctuation to demarcate sentences and begin to use speech

- Spell plural forms, e.g. -s, -es-, -ies
- Use past tense of verbs consistently, e.g. consistent consonant doubling before –ed
- Use strategies including knowledge of word families, roots, morphology and graphic knowledge to spell words, e.g. most common polysyllabic words
- Spell all high-frequency words correctly
- Produce legible handwriting and present work appropriately joining letters in some words
- Welsh-medium statement: use the standard forms of the verb as relevant to the context
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- marks, commas to mark clauses and phrases, and apostrophes for omission
- Use strategies including knowledge of word families, roots, morphology, derivations and graphic knowledge to spell words, e.g. words with more complex patterns
- Produce handwriting which is clear and legible and may be cursive
- Welsh-medium statement: use the standard form of a variety of verbs, e.g. present, past and negative forms
- Welsh-medium statement: use the most common mutations correctly, e.g. fy nghalon
- Welsh-medium statement: spell an increasing number of plural forms correctly in context, e.g. –iau, -u