



# The Romans



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In the Summer Term, you were meant to learn all about the Romans in History, but we didn't get to complete it. So, your task over the Summer to learn all that you can about the Romans- and there is **a lot** you can learn! There are some really fun and creative tasks that will allow you to use the facts you have learned. Have fun!

1. First, we want you to research:

- Who the Romans were?
- Where they came from?
- Where did they go?
- What did they do?

When you have researched the questions above you should have a good idea of what the Romans wanted to do and what they were like. You should create a poster full of the facts you have found out and include pictures/drawings.

Make it as colourful and as attractive as you can.

2. The next area of the Romans you need to explore is the Roman Homes. Do you think they will be like our homes now? How do you think they might differ? Think about the things they would have inside of their houses. Would they have cookers and a washing machine? Complete some research about Roman houses, make a list of similarities and differences in how the houses they lived in comparison to ours.

Once you have an understanding of their houses, think about the food they ate. Find a recipe for a type of food they would have eaten and made it. Take pictures of the process and write a set of instructions on how others can make this Roman delicacy.



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3. The Romans loved their sports. They enjoyed loads of different sports- but not as we know them. They didn't have football and cricket. They did a lot of competitive wrestling and boxing; they had some ball games and chariot races.



You need to look into chariot racing.

You must find out:

- Who took part?
- What a chariot is?
- What was the aim of the race?
- What the prize of the race was (if there was one)?
- Who watched the races?



Once you know all that, you must imagine you are back in Roman times and you are one of the competitors of the chariot race. Design your own chariot are there any things you can add to help you win the race? Be creative!

4. In the rich Roman houses, you would find lots of colourful patterned floors and pottery. These are called mosaics. Mosaics showed importance and wealth back in those days. Explore the different types of mosaics.



- Look at:
  - The different patterns/objects they made,
  - The colours used,
  - Size of the mosaics.



Once you have done this, think about if you were rich and lived in Roman times. What would you have made in a mosaic? Create the mosaic using different coloured pieces of just by colouring in your design- make sure it looks like a mosaic.

5. The army was a large part of the Roman Empire. There were lots of men who were in the army. They had to march miles carrying heavy equipment, they were very strong. Familiarise yourself with the types of things they would carry whilst they marched and where they would be going when they marched.

Draw a picture of a Roman soldier, labelling all of the features of the armour. You can even write a short description of the feature, what it was made out of and its use. You can then decorate it, trying to keep it as traditional as possible.



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6. Soldiers had shields to protect themselves from arrows and other weapons that were fired at them. They were a very important part of their armour. Every soldier needed a shield and that is why you are going to make one.

Firstly, sketch the shape and design the shield on a piece of paper, so you have a good understanding of what you want it to look like.

Then get a large piece of cardboard and design it on there. Then you can add colour, maybe even paint it. Then you have the perfect piece of armour just like a Roman soldier.

