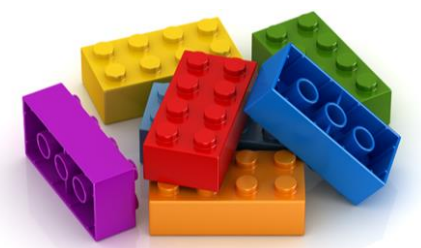




# Wellington History

## Year 7 HT 1 Knowledge Organiser

What can we learn about History from the Ancient World?  
Did Roman invasion improve life in Britain?



### What and why?

- ✓ You will learn how to become an excellent Historians through studying the Ancient World and the Celts.
- ✓ You will learn about why the Romans invaded Britain and how Roman rule changed life in Britain.

### ❖ Want to explore further?

Book: Truth or Busted: Fact or Fiction Behind the Romans  
Book: Horrible Histories – The Rotten Romans  
Website: <https://www.bbc.com/education/topics/zwmpfg8>

### Key Questions

- What is History?
- What is chronology?
- How do you use source to learn about the past?
- What are causes and consequences?
- Why did the Romans want an Empire and how did it grow?
- What was Britain like before the Romans invaded?
- Why was the Roman Army so important?
- What was life like for ordinary Romans?
- How did the Romans change Britain?
- Why did the Roman Empire collapse?

### Keywords

#### **Chronology**

The study or order of time

#### **Century**

100 years

#### **Source**

Information left over from the past

#### **Interpretation**

How Historians explain the past

#### **Purpose**

The reason a source or interpretation is created

#### **Cause**

Reasons for something happening

#### **Consequence**

The results of an event happening

#### **Empire**

When a country control land outside of it's own borders

#### **Citizen**

Free adult male who could vote

#### **Invasion**

Sending an army to conquer another land

#### **Legacy**

What you leave behind for future generations

#### **Conquest**

Taking over a place or people often by using force

#### **Slave**

A person with no rights or freedom

#### **Trade**

The exchange of goods or services

#### **Rebellion**

Where people fight against a Government or leader to create change



### Key events and Key People

- 753BC Rome is founded by Romulus
- 55BC Julius Caesar attempts an invasion of Britain
- 27BC Augustus becomes the first Roman Emperor
- 43AD Romans invade Britain
- 60AD Boudicca leads rebellion against the Romans
- 80AD Coliseum is built in Rome
- 122AD Hadrian's Wall is built
- 312AD Christianity becomes the official religion of the Roman Empire
- 410AD The last Romans leave Britain



Farmers, warriors and the Church? Is this a fair view of Anglo-Saxon England?

How was Baghdad connected to the wider world?

Did the Normans bring a truckload of trouble to England?



**What and why?**

- ✓ You will learn about who the Anglo-Saxons were and why they moved to Britain.
- ✓ You will learn about how trade connected the Medieval world.
- ✓ You will learn about how the year 1066 changed Britain dramatically.

**Want to explore further?**

Book: G.A Henty, Wulf the Saxon: A Story of the Norman Conquest  
 Book: Jim Eldridge, 1066 (I Was There)  
 Book: The Silk Roads Illustrated by Peter Frankopan  
 Website:  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zsjnb9q/revision/1>

**Key Questions**

- Who were the Anglo-Saxons?
- How did the Anglo-Saxons come to inhabit England?
- What was life like in Anglo-Saxon England?
- Why was there a struggle for power in 1066?
- What threats did Harold Godwinson face?
- Why did the Normans win the Battle of Hastings and the Anglo-Saxons lose?
- What problems did William the Conqueror face in establishing Norman control of England?
- How did William establish Feudal control over England?
- How did Norman England differ from Anglo-Saxon England?
- What were the Silk Roads?
- What travelled along the Silk Roads?
- What was Medieval Baghdad like?

**Keywords**

- Battle:**  
A fight between armed forces
- Anglo-Saxon:**  
Germanic inhabitants of England from the 5<sup>th</sup> century to the Norman conquest
- Cavalry:**  
Soldiers who fought on horseback
- Feudal system:**  
The social system used in medieval Europe
- Domesday book:**  
A survey of the land of England to determine peoples ownership and value of property
- Christianity:**  
Following the teachings of Jesus Christ



**Key events and Key People**

- 350AD Anglo-Saxons raid English shores and are beaten back by the Romans
- 410AD The last Romans leave Britain
- 556AD Seven Kingdoms are created across Britain
- 865AD Great Viking Army from Denmark invades England
- 980AD New Vikings raids on England
- 1014AD King Canute of Denmark captures the English crown
- 1042AD Edward the Confessor becomes King
- 1066AD Edward the Confessor dies causing a power struggle in England. Harold Godwinson becomes King.
- 1066AD The Normans invade England

- Tax:**  
Money paid to the government or monarch
- Monarch:**  
King or queen of the country
- Harry:**  
To carry out attacks on an enemy or their territory
- Witan:**  
The council that advised the king on matters of government
- Heir:**  
Next in line to the throne
- Knight:**  
A soldier on horseback who serves a baron