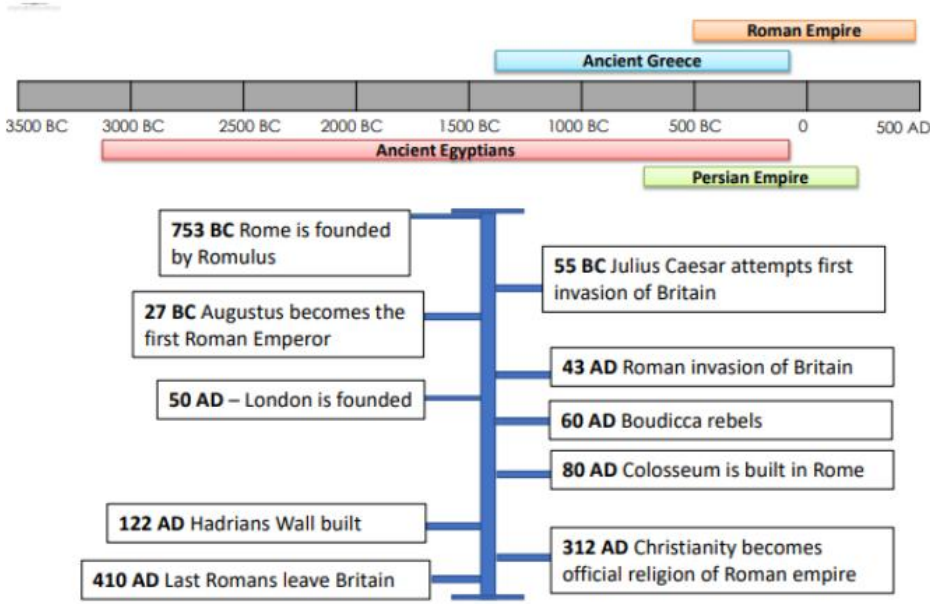





History Knowledge Organiser

Roman Britain: What happened when the Romans came to Britain?

Key Vocabulary		Sticky Knowledge	
Invade	to enter and take over a country through force		
Conquer	to defeat and take over through force		
Empire	a group of countries ruled over by another country		
Centurion	Roman centurions were the backbone of the Roman army, professional career officers commanding a unit of about 80 soldiers (a century), responsible for discipline, training, and leading troops in battle		
Celts	The Celts were diverse Iron Age peoples across Europe (c. 800 BCE - 43 CE) known for similar languages, art, and culture, not a single nation, spreading from Central Europe to Britain & Ireland, defined by		
			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the resistance of the Roman army in the north of Britain, the Romans built a wall (73 miles long) across England. This was Hadrian's Wall. In a few years, the Romans had control of much of southern England and, in 30 years, much of the west and Wales. However, their dominance was much less in the north, especially in Scotland. Overall, the Romans had control of about three-quarters of Britain. The Romans first came to Britain in 55 and 54 BC when Julius Caesar decided to teach the Britons a lesson for supporting the Gauls. However, they did not stay in Britain until Claudius invaded in 43 AD. Only Roman citizens could serve in the legions, but there were also many auxiliaries – many of them not actually from Rome. 	

	Celtic languages (like Welsh, Gaelic)		
Garison	A garrison is a body of troops stationed to guard a place, or the place itself (like a fort, base, or town) where they live and work		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Romans build many large towns and cities across Britain, including Colchester, Londinium, Corinium and York.
Legions	A legion primarily refers to the ancient Roman army's largest military unit, comprising thousands of citizen-soldiers with distinct numbers, names, and standards		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Romans first came to Britain in 55 and 54 BC when Julius Caesar decided to teach the Britons a lesson for supporting the Gauls. However, they did not stay in Britain until Claudius invaded in 43 AD.
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