**St Aidan’s and St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form**

**Y11 to Y12 Transition Work**

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| **Subject:** Ancient History |
| **Topic(s):**The Julio-Claudian Emperors, 31BC – 68AD |
| **Independent Learning Task(s) to Complete:**1. Complete the simulation activity of Ancient Rome on activehistory.co.uk, so that you are able to complete the map, answer the questions and complete the timeline.
2. Read the article from History Extra, entitled ‘Ten key Roman dates you need to know.’ Use this to then create a poster about the possible turning points in Roman history.
3. Research Julius Caesar so that you are able to answer the following questions:
4. How did he come to rule Rome?
5. What benefits did he bring for Rome?
6. What problems did he bring for Rome?
7. Who killed him and why?
8. What impact did his death have on Rome?
9. Read Book 4, chapters 20 – 36 of Caesar’s first invasion of Britain – turn this into a cartoon strip, of one slide per chapter
10. Read Book 5, chapters 1 – 25 of Caesar’s second invasion of Britain - turn this into a cartoon strip, of one slide per chapter
11. Listen to the podcast, ‘A History of the World in 100 objects – Empire Builders, Head of Augustus. What can we learn from Augustus about his statues?
12. Create mini-fact files on the following emperors: Augustus, Tiberius, Caligula, Claudius, Nero. You should use the internet to help with your research. Your mini fact-files should include the following:
* Date and place of birth
* Childhood
* Why did they become emperor?
* Major achievements and failings whilst emperor
* How did they die?
* How have they been remembered by historians?
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| **How it links to the Specification:**1. This activity will help you to become familiar with the ancient city of Rome, and some of its key physical features and personalities
2. By reading ‘ten key Roman dates you need to know, this will allow you to begin to gain an understanding of the development of Rome and the Roman empire, and the significance of Augustus, who is the first Emperor of Rome, and the starting point of our course.
3. By researching Julius Caesar, the adopted father of Augustus, you will develop an understanding of the conflict in Rome and some of the problems associated with the Republic, which was inherited and altered by Augustus.
4. This will help you to gain a better understanding of Caesar, and of the role played by Britain in the Roman world, and it will help you to familiarise yourself with the ancient texts.
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6. The evaluation of contemporary evidence is a vital skill in the course, and this will give you a good introduction in to the types of things that can be learned from archaeological evidence.
7. The creation of the fact files will help you to gain a decent knowledge and understanding of the lives of the emperors who form the backbone of our course.
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| **Resources (include any hyperlinks):**1. Online simulation activity: <https://www.activehistory.co.uk/Miscellaneous/free_stuff/yr7_romans/index.php>

Map, questions and timeline for online simulation: <https://www.activehistory.co.uk/Miscellaneous/free_stuff/yr7_romans/index.php> click on the link that says map, structured questions and timeline. 1. ‘Ten key Roman dates you need to know.’ <https://www.historyextra.com/period/roman/key-romans-dates-timeline-fall-rome-empire-when-founded-romulus-remus/>
2. Possible sites to research Julius Caesar: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/caesar_julius.shtml>

<https://spartacus-educational.com/ROMcaesar.htm>1. Book 4, Chapters 20 – 36 of Caesar’s Gallic War – First Invasion of Britain [https://penelope.uchicago.edu/Thayer/E/Roman/Texts/Caesar/Gallic\_War/4\*.html#20](https://penelope.uchicago.edu/Thayer/E/Roman/Texts/Caesar/Gallic_War/4%2A.html#20)
2. Book 5, Chapters 1 -25 of Caesar’s Gallic War – Second Invasion of Britain

[https://penelope.uchicago.edu/Thayer/E/Roman/Texts/Caesar/Gallic\_War/5A\*.html](https://penelope.uchicago.edu/Thayer/E/Roman/Texts/Caesar/Gallic_War/5A%2A.html)1. Podcast, A History of the World in 100 objects – Empire Builders, Head of Augustus

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio/player/b00sbrz7> |
| **Deadline:** Start of September Term |