

#### St Aidan's and St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form

# Y11 to Y12 Transition Work

Subject:	Ancient History	
Topic(s):	The Julio-Claudian Emperors, 31BC – 68AD	

## **Independent Learning Task(s) to Complete:**

- 1. Use the TimeMaps website to begin to explore Ancient Rome and the Roman Empire just explore the website and follow the articles and links that you find particularly interesting.
- 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:
  - a) How did he come to rule Rome?
  - b) What benefits did he bring for Rome?
  - c) What problems did he bring for Rome?
  - d) Who killed him and why?
  - e) What impact did his death have on Rome?
- 4. Read Book 4, chapters 20 36 of Caesar's first invasion of Britain turn this into a cartoon strip, of one slide per chapter
- 5. Read Book 5, chapters 1 25 of Caesar's second invasion of Britain turn this into a cartoon strip, of one slide per chapter
- 6. 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?
- 7. 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?

#### How it links to the Specification:

- 1. This activity will help you to become familiar with the ancient city of Rome, the Roman Empire, and introduction to its history and its key social groups and cultural habits.
- 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.

## Resources (include any hyperlinks):

- TimeMaps website: https://www.timemaps.com/civilizations/ancient-rome/
- 2. 'Ten key Roman dates you need to know.' <a href="https://www.historyextra.com/period/roman/key-romans-dates-timeline-fall-rome-empire-when-founded-romulus-remus/">https://www.historyextra.com/period/roman/key-romans-dates-timeline-fall-rome-empire-when-founded-romulus-remus/</a>
- 3. Possible sites to research Julius Caesar:
  <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic\_figures/caesar\_julius.shtml">http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic\_figures/caesar\_julius.shtml</a>
  <a href="https://spartacus-educational.com/ROMcaesar.htm">https://spartacus-educational.com/ROMcaesar.htm</a>
- 4. Book 4, Chapters 20 36 of Caesar's Gallic War First Invasion of Britain <a href="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\*.html#20</a>
- 5. 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
- 6. Podcast, A History of the World in 100 objects Empire Builders, Head of Augustus <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio/player/b00sbrz7">http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio/player/b00sbrz7</a>

**Deadline:** Start of September Term