Year 4 The Roman Empire Medium Term Plan

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National Curriculum	Knowledge
Children should be taught about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain	Roman army. Julius Caesar, the early emperors (including Augustus, Claudius, Nero), Jewish-Roman war. Persecutions of Christians in Rome. Amphitheatres and games Pompeii – depth study (draw together all Roman knowledge so far and develop and demonstrate it synoptically in a Roman town – Pompeii; story of destruction of Pompeii – Pliny etc; Reinforce & apply volcano knowledge from geography)
	Disciplinary focus: evidential thinking What can sources reveal about Roman ways of life?
Lesson Focus	Vocabulary
1. The Roman army	survival, peninsula, province, governor, centurion, legion, height, rebel, frontier, forts
2. Julius Caesar	Julius Caesar, Gaul, Pompey, foreign, Brutus, Ides of March
3. Augustus: the first emperor	descended, cunning, Augustus
4. Emperors Claudius and Nero	emperor, Claudius, proclaim, advantage, aqueducts, Nero, Colosseum
5. Pompeii and the eruption of Vesuvius	Pompeii, Vesuvius, vapour, Pliny, debris
6. The Jewish-Roman War	Judea, rebellion, imperial
Synoptic task	
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