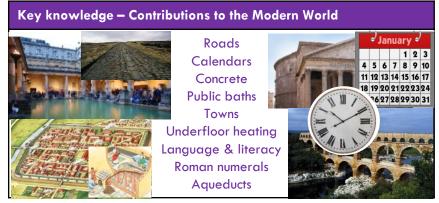


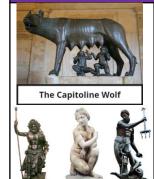
VALENTINE Knowledge Organiser: AUTUMN 1

Year 4 Civilization Study: Ancient Rome

| Vocabulary | Meaning |
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| Latin | the language used in Ancient Rome |
| strigil | instrument used for scraping off moisture and dead skin after bathing or exercising |
| hypocaust | heating system with underground furnace and tile flues |
| origin myth | story told to explain how things came to be |
| Capitoline wolf | a bronze sculpture of the she-wolf suckling the twins Romulus and Remus |
| Lupercal | a cave at the southwest foot of the Palatine Hill in Rome |
| deity | God, Goddess, the creator or a higher being |
| monotheistic | the belief in or worship of only one God |
| polytheistic | the belief in or worship of more than one god |
| Pantheon | a former Roman temple |
| social hierarchy | The distinctive rank order of people in a group based on factors like wealth, occupation, family and education level |
| patrician | an aristocrat or nobleman |
| plebeian | a commoner in Ancient Rome |
| slave | person who is legal property of another & forced to obey |
| legionary | foot soldier in a chief army unit of 3000 to 6000 soldiers |
| Centurion | commander of a centuria (smallest unit of Roman legion) |
| Carthage | ancient North African city located East of Lake Tunis |
| Punic Wars | series of 3 wars fought between Rome and Carthage |



Key knowledge - Beliefs



According to legend, Rome was founded by twin brothers, Romulus and Remus, sons of the god of war, Mars.

People were polytheistic because they worshipped hundreds of different deities. There were gods for almost everything, even sewers! Ancient Romans believed the gods controlled their lives and animal sacrifice was common. In the 4th Century AD, Romans converted to Christianity and monotheism.

History Timeline

Jupiter, Venus and Neptune

753 BC

476 AD