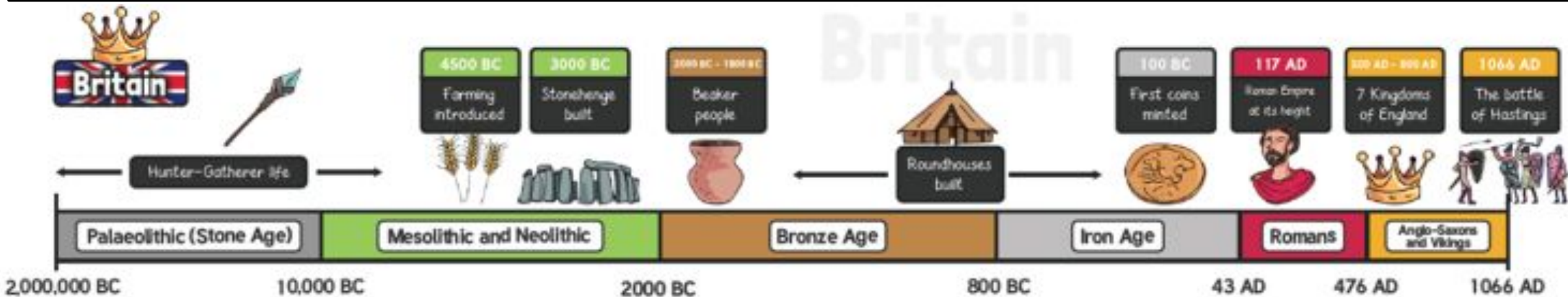


Willow Tree Academy - Year 4 - Time Travellers (Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age)



Key Knowledge

The Stone Age

It was a very long period of time. Split into three periods: Paleolithic (The Old Stone Age - Prehistoric), Mesolithic (Middle Stone Age) and Neolithic (New Stone Age). People were hunter-gatherers and were Nomadic until they began farming; looking after animals and growing crops.

The Bronze Age

Bronze was used instead of stone to make tools and weapons. It was made by smelting. People were buried with their important possessions.

The Iron Age

Iron was used instead of Bronze to make tools and weapons as its shape could be changed. Settlements were often under attack and there were many wars. They lived in tribes in hill forts for protection. The Romans invaded Britain.

Key Places



Skara Brae, Scotland

Well - preserved Stone Age village in Orkney, Scotland. One room in each of the 8 houses made of stone.

Stonehenge, England

Famous Stone Age monument located in Wiltshire. Circle of very large stones standing upright. Some people believe it was built to learn about the movements of the Sun and Moon. Some people believe it was a burial ground.



Key Vocabulary

Agriculture: The practise of growing crops and rearing animals

Archaeologist: A person who studies the past by looking at artefacts and remains.

Artefact: An object made by a human being

Bronze: A metal made of copper and tin

Celts: Group of people who lived in Britain during the

Flint: A stone which can be used to make tools or weapons and when struck together creates fire.

Gathering: Collecting food which can be found eg. berries and nuts

Hillfort: A settlement built on a hill surrounded by a protective fence

Hunting: The killing of animals for food

Iron: A strong, hard magnetic silvery-grey metal

Nomads/ Nomadic: A person who travels from place to place to search for food.

Paleolithic- The first part of the Stone Age

Preserve: Keep safe and maintain original form

Prehistory- The time before written records

Settlement: A place where people live and work.

Smelting: The process of melting and heating to make a new metal.

Tribes: A group of people who live and work together