TIMELINE

Birdoswald Roman Fort

This resource has been designed to help teachers plan a visit to Birdoswald Roman Fort, which offers fascinating insight into life in a Roman fort and the building of Hadrian’s Wall.

Use this pack in the classroom to help students get the most out of their learning about Roman Britain.

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**Birdoswald Roman Fort Timeline**

**1st Century**
- AD 43–54: Reign of Emperor Claudius.
- AD 60: Boadicea's rebellion against Roman rule.
- AD 83: The army destroys the Tyne-Solway fort. The Roman region becomes a 'vicus' (civilian settlement) around the fort.
- AD 87: The Roman Army conquers the south of England.
- AD 100: The Roman Army conquers the south of England.

**2nd Century**
- AD 130: The conquering of Britain reaches Inverness, after governor Agricola defeats the Caledonians at the Battle of Mons Graupius.
- AD 162: The Roman garrison abandons Antonine Wall and returns to Hadrian's Wall.
- AD 180–90: The Antonine Wall is abandoned. The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.
- AD 200: The Antonine Wall is abandoned. The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.

**3rd Century**
- AD 259–304: The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.
- AD 266: The base of the Antonine Wall is abandoned. The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.
- AD 276: The base of the Antonine Wall is abandoned. The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.

**4th Century**
- AD 305–306: Reign of Emperor Constans I.
- AD 337–50: The frontier of Roman occupation falls back to the Tyne–Solway line.
- AD 350: The Roman garrison returns to Hadrian's Wall.

**5th Century**
- AD 409: Evidence suggests that Birdoswald is abandoned. It is possible that the troops are found in either South-west Wales or North Sea.
- AD 476: The end of the Western Roman Empire.
- AD 500: End of the Western Roman Empire.

**Birdoswald Fort**
- The fort is built as one of the 16 garrison forts along Hadrian's Wall. It guarded the bridge over the river Irthing.
- The granaries are built at the fort. The barrack blocks are rebuilt.
- The vicus (civilian settlement) around the fort expands during the 3rd century.
- The garrison return to Birdoswald Roman Fort from the Antonine Wall.
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