

History - Year 4

Autumn 2

Life in the pits

- Coal mines in the local area were: Apedale, Holditch, Birch House Colliery and Parkhouse Colliery.
- A lot of people in the Stoke-on-Trent and the surrounding area would have worked in coal mines.
- Miners got along well with each other. They were respected in the areas they lived for the work that they did.
- There were many dangers when working in a coal mine.
- New inventions made working in the mines much easier as history progressed.

Spring 2

Roman Britain

- The Romans were a group of people who came from the city of Rome in Italy.
- The Romans invaded Britain in 43AD, around 2000 years ago.
- The Romans only conquered England and Wales and built Hadrian's Wall to protect their empire.
- The Romans brought many things to Britain including roads, laws and coins.
- Some Romans lived in stone houses called villas.
- Not everyone was happy with the Roman invasion. Boudicca led an attack against them.
 - The Romans left Britain in 410AD. They went to defend Rome itself from attack.

Summer 2

Ancient Egypt

- Ancient Egypt lasted from 3100BC to 30BC, which was around 5000 years ago.
- Ancient Egyptian rulers were called 'Pharaohs'.
- Tutankhamun was an Egyptian Pharaoh who ruled from the age of 9 – 18. He was called 'the boy king'.
- When important people died in Ancient Egypt, their bodies were 'mummified' by removing the insides and wrapping them in cloth.
- The Ancient Egyptians were one of the first groups of people to write things down. Their style of writing is called 'hieroglyphics'.
- The River Nile was really important to Ancient Egyptians. It provided them with food and trade.