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Year 7	<p>Why do we still remember the Romans?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is history? Skills, chronology, artefact handling. Using and evaluating sources. • The legend Romulus and Remus • From Monarchy to Republic • Career and Death of Caesar • Development of Empire • Roman Public Health • The Roman Army • Roman Britain – <i>and the Romans in Northern England. Impact of the Romans on Lancaster.</i> <p>What was Britain like before 1066?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reasons for and Impact of the collapse of the Roman Empire. • Anglo-Saxon and Viking migrations and their impact. 	<p>Why is 1066 the most remembered date in our history?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Death of Edward Confessor • Contenders to the Throne • Events January – September • Battle of Stamford Bridge – why were the Vikings defeated? • Battle of Hastings – why was William successful? <p>Norman Conquest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebellions, Harrying of the North • How did William get control? • Feudal System • Domesday Survey • Motte and Bailey Castles <p>Castles – development study and project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How and why did Castles change between the 11th and 14th Centuries? Focus on the development of Lancaster Castle as a <i>local history</i> case study. 	<p>Who was the most successful Monarch of the Middle Ages?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What were the features of a successful reign? • Comparison of the reigns of William I, Stephen, Henry II, John, Edward I and Edward II. <i>Key debates: Why was there a Civil War with Queen Matilda? Why was there a clash between Church and State? Does John deserve his 'bad' nickname – and why were the cells of Lancaster Castle full in his reign? Why is the Magna Carta so important? How did the reigns of Edward I and II affect relations between England, Wales and Scotland?</i> <p>Why was the Medieval Church so influential?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of the Church • Beliefs in Heaven and Hell • Impact and importance of the death of Thomas Becket. <p>Why was the Black Death so devastating?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why were living conditions in Medieval towns so bad? • How did people in the Middle Ages explain disease, and try to treat and prevent it? • What were the positive and negative effects of the Black Death?

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