Iron Age - Year 3 - Autumn Term

Timeline 5000 BC Stone Age Bronze Age Iron Age Ancient Egypt Ancient Sumer Ancient Sumer Ancient Sumer

The Iron Age in Britain started around 800 BC. It followed the Bronze Age after iron began to be used for making weapons and tools— it was stronger than bronze and easier to work with. The Iron Age continued in Britain for about 800 years until the Romans invaded in AD 43.



Clothing

Men wore a T-shaped tunic made from wool or linen with trousers and a belt.

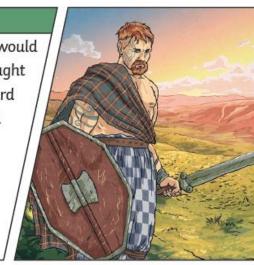
Women wore floor length skirts or dresses with a cloak pinned with a brooch. Woollen clothes would have been dyed with natural colours from berries and plants.

Celts often wore jewellery made from bronze, silver, gold and tin. Checked and striped patterns were often worn.



Warriors

Celtic warriors would have usually fought with a long sword or shield and an oval, wooden shield. They often went into battle wearing blue warpaint.



Roundhouses

Roundhouses were typical Iron Age circular houses. Some were very large, often housing lots of people living together. They had a timber frame, wattle and daub walls and a thatched roof. There would

be a fire in the centre for cooking, light and warmth. Beds were made from hay or feather mattresses and animal skin or woollen blankets.

