Kelmscott School Curriculum



Subject: Ancient History

Cleopatra
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Autumn term	Introduction to the image of Cleopatra
Half term 1	1. Meeting the authors
Tidii teriii 1	2. Who is Cleopatra (life and character)
	3. Cleopatra's family and Macedonian heritage
	4. Her education and upbringing
	Cleopatra's Relationship with Caesar, 48 – 44 BC
Half term 2	Civil war between Cleopatra and Ptolemy XIII
	2. Rome's relationship with client states and attitudes to foreigners
	3. Rome's involvement in Egypt in the 60s and the 50's BC
	4. Initial meeting with Caesar and his support
Spring term	Cleopatra's Relationship with Caesar, 48 – 44 BC
Half term 1	5. Cleopatra's personal and political relationship with Caesar and its
	impact on both Rome and Egypt
	6. Birth of Caesarion
	7. Cleopatra's visit to Rome and her reception
	Cleopatra's relationship with Mark Antony, 41 – 30 BC
	1. Mark Anthony's position in Roman politics after Caesar's death
	2. Cleopatra's meeting with Mark Antony
	3. Development of political and personal relationship (including its
	significance for both Rome and Egypt)
Half term 2	4. The Role played by Cleopatra in the breakdown of Mark Antony
	and Octavian's relationship
Summer term	The Battle of Actium and its significance for Egypt and
Half term 1	Rome
	1. Causes of the war between Octavian and Antony/Cleopatra
	2. Preparations for the battle
	3. Key events of the battle (Octavian, Agrippa, Mark Antony,
	Cleopatra
	4. Different views of the battle in sources
	The Battle of Actium and its significance for Egypt and
	Rome
	5. The outcome and the reasons for it as described by the sources
	6. Impact of the battle on Cleopatra and Mark Antony's careers
	7. The method of Cleopatra's suicide and her reasons
	8. The significance of the suicide for Octavian