

Carr Head Primary School - Knowledge Organiser

History Topic

Ancient Greece

Year 5

Summer 2

Key Knowledge

Knowledge and understanding of the past events, people and changes in the past.

The Greeks were great thinkers, warriors, writers, actors, athletes, artists, architects and politicians

most people lived in villages in the countryside. Many Greeks were poor and life was hard. Ancient Greek homes were built around a courtyard or garden

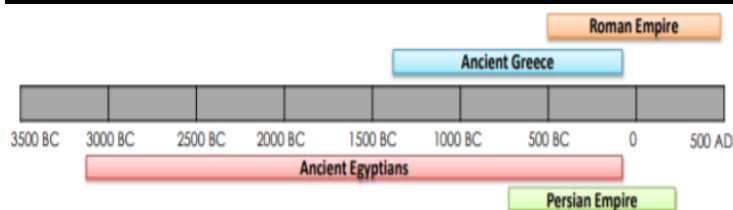
The Greeks believed that gods and goddesses watched over them. They were like humans but lived forever and were more powerful. The most famous temple in Greece is the Parthenon in Athens, dedicated to the goddess Athena.

Greece was made up of lots of smaller states and they often went to war with one another or with foreign enemies. Soldiers would lock their shields together with their spears pointing out of the top, this was called a phalanx.

Key Vocabulary

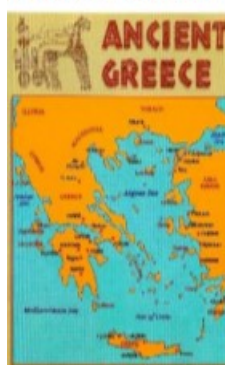
Acropolis	A fortified citadel within a larger city. It is usually located on top of a hill and at the centre of the city.
Assembly	In Athens, the Assembly consisted of the group of citizens who showed up to vote.
Democracy	A form of government where citizens have a say in how they are ruled including choosing their leaders and deciding on laws.
Oligarchy	A type of government where the power is held by a few people.
Olympics	An athletic event held by the Ancient Greeks every four years .
Titans	The Titans were the first Greek Gods.
Tyrant	The ruler of a Greek city-state like a King.
Architecture	The art or practise of designing and constructing buildings
Olympics	An athletic event held every 4 years.

Timeline of Historical Events



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2900 - 2000 BC	The Bronze Age when Early Aegean cultures start to emerge
2500 BC	The great Minoan civilisation
1200 BC	The Trojan War and the destruction of Troy
1050 - 750 BC	The Dark Ages of Greece
850 - 700 BC	Development of the first Greek Alphabet
776 BC	The First Olympic Games are staged
650 BC	The Rise of the Greek tyrants
600 BC	Greek Coin currency introduced
500 - 323 BC	The Greek Classical Period
490 BC	Greek/ Persian Wars led by Xerxes
333 BC	Alexander the Great defeats the Persians at Issus and is given Egypt by the Persian Satrap
86 BC	The Roman General Sulla captures Athens

ANCIENT GREECE



MODERN DAY GREECE



Know how to...

History Skills and Enquiry

- Know and sequence key events of time studied
- Use relevant terms and period labels
- Make comparisons between different times in the past
- Use the library and internet for research with increasing confidence