# <u>Autumn 1- Ancient Greece</u>

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Democracy	A system where the citizens of a country or state are involved in the way it is run.
Ancient	Something from a very long time ago.
Empire	A group of countries or states that are ruled by one ruler or country.
City States	Small areas that Ancient Greece was divided into, each with their own governments, laws and army. The most important among them were Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Megara and Argos.
Hoplite	A heavily armed foot soldier of ancient Greece.
C.E.	Stands for Common Era or Current Era. It is the same numbering as A.D (any dates after the birth of Jesus Christ).
B.C.E.	Stands for Before the Common (or Current) Era and refers to the years before the C.E. It is the same numbering as B.C. (any dates before the birth of Jesus Christ).
Civilisation	A human society with well-developed rules and government, often where technology and the arts are considered important.
Legacies	Things that exist after someone dies or after a civilisation or event ends,
Strategy	The art of planning and directing overall military operations and movements in a war or battle.
Myth	A story from ancient times about something that happened long ago that some people believed to be true.





## Key Questions

How do we know about the Ancient Greeks?



Who ruled Ancient Greece?



Which city would you rather live in: Ancient Athens or Ancient Sparta?



Does Alexander the Great live up to his name?



In what ways has modern-day society been influenced by the Ancients Greeks?

## Fun Links to help with my learning:

- https://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-greece.html
- www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00sp0l8/horriblehistories
- <a href="https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=ancienct+greece+f">https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=ancienct+greece+f</a>
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  2F4CEC21328D9D9&FORM=VIRE
- https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=ancienct+greece+f or+kids&view=detail&mid=3A872589E9DEFFA360B13A872
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# ANCIENT GREECE 500BC

## 700BC

Homer writes the Odysseys and Iliad poems.

#### 650BC

The tyrant Kypselos takes over the city-state of Corinth. When Kypselos dies, his son Periander takes over the role.

## 460BC

Hippocrates, the "father of modern medicine" is born in Kos. His ideas on the human body and medicine are still used

and recognised

today.

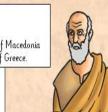
King Philip II of Macedonia takes control of Greece.

338BC

336BC

C 300BC

Alexander the Great takes over rule of Greece, aged 20, after the death of his father king Philip II.



100BC

## 700BC

## 776BC 5

The first Olympic games. The games are then held every 4 years in honour of the god Zeus (ruler of the Olympians of Mount Olympus). The games included wrestling, javelin, jumping and chariot racing.

### 508BC

Male citizens of Athens are given a chance to vote in order to decide how things should be run. This is called 'democracy' and is thought to be one of the Creeks greatest ideas.

#### 472BC

The 'Classical

starts. There is a

lot of interest in

and buildings.

arts, imagination

Period'

○ 500BC

Greek theatres become popular in Athens. The entertainment included magicians, jugglers and plays.

#### 432BC

Parthenon is finished in Athens. The temple is built to house a statue of Athena, the goddess of war, wisdom and the arts.

## 146BC

Rome conquers the Corinthians at the Battle of Corinth and Greece falls under the rule of the Roman Empire.

## Key Facts:

- ➤ Greece wasn't a single country in ancient times like today. It was made up of lots of smaller city-states. These states fought each other and often went to war.
- There are many fields in our life affected by the knowledge from ancient Greek such as in the field of science, sport, philosophy, art, mathematics, literature, and government.
- Sparta and Athens fought a long war, called the Peloponnesian War, from 431 to 404BCE. Only the threat of invasion by outsiders made the Greeks forget their differences and fight on the same side.
- ➤ The Ancient Greeks held many festivals in honour of their gods. To celebrate the god Zeus, for example, the first Greek Olympics were held in the city of Olympia in 776 BC and are thought to have inspired our own Olympic Games!.
- Democracy was invented in ancient Athens, although only men could vote.

## Places to visit to enhance your learning:



Ashmolean Museum, Oxford



Acropolos Virtual Tour https://www.acropolisvirtualtour.gr/

