

North Road Community Primary School



Knowledge Organiser

Learning Question: How did the Greeks impact life in Britain?

Class: Jupiter UKS2

Term: Spring 3 and 4

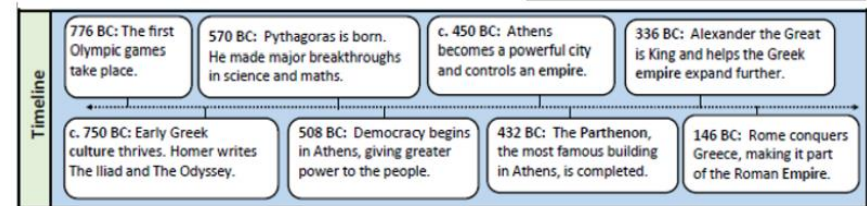
| Vocabulary | |
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| acropolis | the citadel of an ancient Greek City |
| archaeologist | Someone who studies the past by exploring old remains |
| chronology | the order of events in time |
| civilization | a human society with its own social organization and culture |
| climate | the general weather conditions that are typical of a place |
| culture | activities such as the arts and philosophy, which are considered to be important for the development of civilization |
| deity | a god or a goddess |
| democracy | a fair political system where all adults vote for an elected government, who make decisions on how to run the country. |
| empire | a number of individual nations that are all controlled by the government or ruler of a particular country. |
| mythology | a group of myths, especially all the myths from a particular country, religion or culture |
| philosophy | the study or creation of theories about basic things, such as nature or existence, knowledge and thought, or about how people should live |
| society | people in general, thought of as a large organised group |
| Trojan | relating to ancient Troy in Asia Minor |
| Sparta | a warrior society in ancient Greece |
| Athens | the capital city of ancient Greece |
| warfare | the activity of fighting a war |

What should we already know?

- Greece is a country in the continent of Europe
- The climate of Greece is slightly different to that of the UK
- The Romans invaded Britain

What will we know at the end of this Term?

- Greece was divided into city-states that each had their own laws and way of life. Two of the most well-known - Athens and Sparta.
- In Athens, Greek styles of art, architecture, philosophy and theatre were developed
- Athens had a democratic government
- The daily life of ancient Greeks
- The first Olympic Game were held in 776BC in the city-state of Olympia
- Religion was of paramount importance in ancient Greece and they worshipped many Gods and Goddesses
- The main events of the Trojan War



Key Questions

- Who were the ancient Greeks and where was their location?
- What is the timeline of key events of the ancient Greeks?
- Why were Athens and Sparta so different?
- How important was religion to the ancient Greeks?
- What happened at the first Olympic Games?
- What were the ancient Greek Philosophers famous for?

Historical Skills and Enquiry

- Examine Greek artefacts (such as vases) and use these to make inferences about the past.
- Describe how the Greek artefacts and ruins tell us about their culture, military and religious beliefs.
- Discuss the notion of democracy and compare the democratic process of ancient Greece with that of modern Britain.
- Compare what was happening in the Greek civilization on a time line with a chronology of the history of Britain. Where are the overlaps?