



Ancient Greece Knowledge Organiser

-Ancient Greece was around about 4000 years ago

-Legacy of the Ancient Greeks -The influence of the Ancient Greeks are still felt by us today.

- Trial by Jury Greek Myths
- Democracy Tragedy and Comedy
- Theatre The Olympics
- Marathons
- Building styles (Architecture)
- The first alphabet with vowels

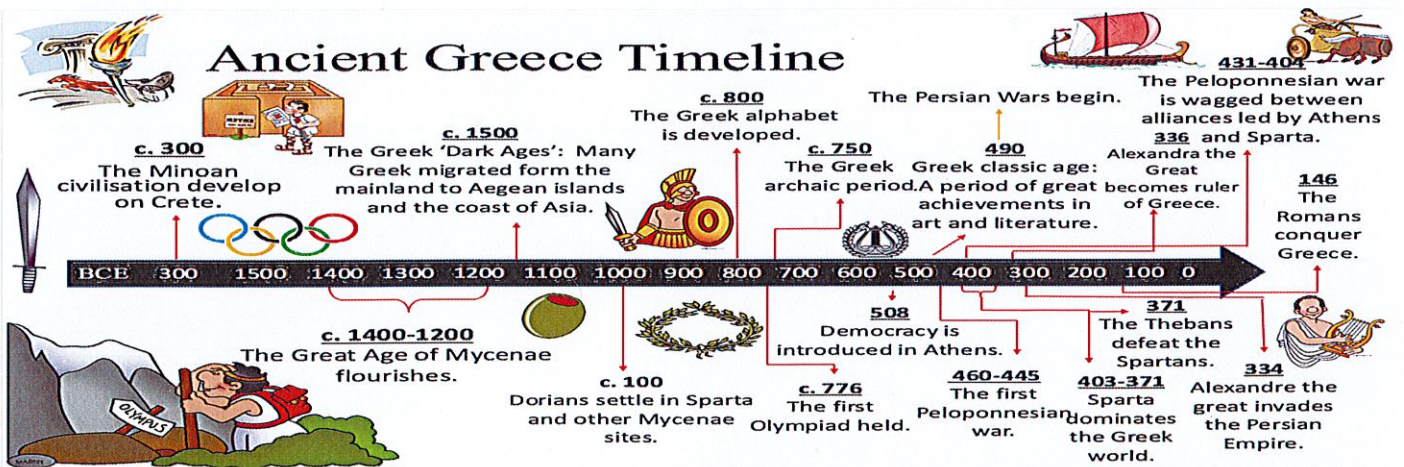


Olympic Games— Ancient Greeks loved sport and most cities in Ancient Greece had public gymnasiums where people gathered to train and relax. The Greeks believed that a healthy body was very important. Most men and boys practised sports every day because they enjoyed them and wanted to keep fit. Sport was a good preparation for war too. The Greek armies had to be fit enough to march long distances, carrying all their heavy equipment, and then begin the fight with the enemy.

Greece is the home country of the Olympic Games. Olympia, a Greek city, was known to be a very important centre of athletics. The first recorded Ancient Olympic Games were in 776 BC. The Olympic games, held there every four years, were so important in Greek life that they were used as the basis for the Greek calendar.



These games were played at Olympia, every four years, in honour of Zeus. On the first day of the Olympics, sacrifices of grain, wine, and lambs were made to Zeus.



The Ancient Greeks worshipped many gods and goddesses. Many of the gods were part human, which meant they were not perfect! They were immortal, though, which means they would live forever. Ancient Greeks believed that the twelve most important gods lived on Mount Olympus.

The Ancient Greek period came to an end when it became part of the Roman Empire in 146 BC.

