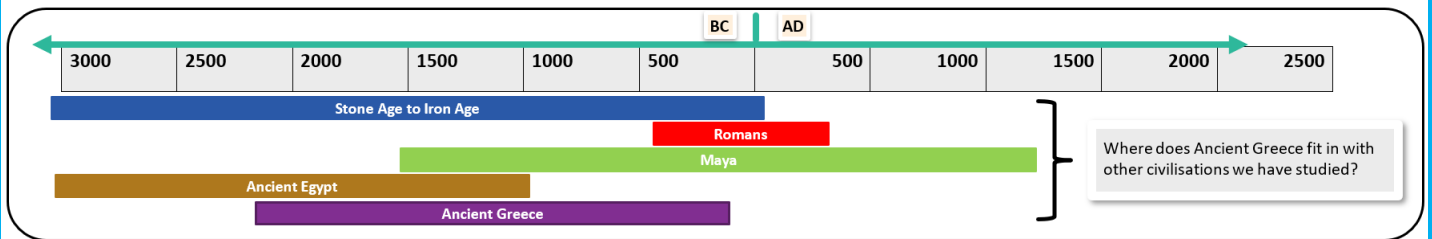


Owl History Knowledge Organiser Term 1

The Ancient Greeks



Key Objectives

- To know the location and time period of Ancient Greece.
- To compare the lives led by the Spartans and the Athenians.
- To understand the importance of the Olympic Games to the Ancient Greeks.
- To understand the importance of religion and the Gods to the Ancient Greek people.
- To utilise evidence to know and understand the importance of warfare in Ancient Greece.

Key Vocabulary

Citizen	Someone belonging to that place or area.
Democracy	Allowing citizens to make their own decisions about things that impact their lives such as where the people choose the government.
Legacy	Something resulting from a time in the past.
Myth	A type of traditional story – particularly one to explain why natural things take place.
Pioneer	To be the first at something and open the way for others.
Athenians	Coming from Athens. It is the birth place of democracy and the heart of the Ancient Greek civilisation.
Spartans	Coming from Sparta. The Spartans believed that strict discipline and a tough upbringing was the secret to making the best soldiers.
Olympics	The ancient Olympic Games were originally a festival or celebration of Zeus.
Zeus	The supreme god of the Olympians.
Temple	A building devoted to the worship of a god or gods.

Sticky Knowledge

1. Ancient Greece was made up of a number of city-states. The most important city-states were Athens and Sparta. These city-states sometimes worked together against a common enemy.
2. They had different forms of government. In Athens, they had a **democracy** where the **citizens** voted for the government. In Sparta, they had a monarchy with two kings.
3. We know about Ancient Greece from using a variety of sources, including buildings, artefacts, written evidence and **myths**.
4. Ancient Greeks were **pioneers** in many areas, including mathematics, art, philosophy and science.
5. Many innovations from Ancient Greece can still be seen today, for example in architecture, medicine, mathematics, language and drama.
6. Not all aspects of Ancient Greek life should be admired, for example their treatment of women, children, disabled people and animals and their use of slavery.
7. It is believed that the 12 most powerful gods lived on Mount Olympus.

