## Thundersley Primary School - Knowledge Organiser for children Year 5

Life and achievements: Influence on the western world:

Ancient Greece
Democracy

**Architecture** 

Myths
Olympic
games

**Great thinkers** 

## **About 4000 YEARS AGO**

**BEFORE:** Humans were nomadic, they had a hunter-gatherer lifestyle.

WHAT HAPPENED: Humans started to settle down in one place.

The Minoans were the first great Greek civilisation who lived on the Isle of Crete. (4000 years ago)

The Greek civilisation spread to mainland Greece and other places.

Athens achieved great things (about 2500 years ago).

AFTER: The Romans took over.

## 'I am a historian' Key Concepts

Enquiry Ask relevant questions— Why did the Olympics start in Ancient Greece? How can we know so much about the Ancient Greeks? Is there any evidence? What was so clever about the Ancient Greeks? Are the myths based upon true events?

**Interpretation** Use evidence— wall paintings, pottery, myths, statues, buildings, physical features of Greece - to find out who, when, where, how?

**Chronology and Communication** Use historical vocabulary: legacy, culture, democracy, architecture, philosophy, evidence.

**Knowledge/understanding** Describe the events on the Ancient Greek timeline. Describe everyday life for men, women and children.

	Ancient(	Greek Tim	eline	2
Minoan civilization  The Tr	ojan wars 1190BC	Golden Age of Athens	Wars between Athens and Sparta	Alexander the Great
Story of Theseus and the Minotaur	First Olympic games 776BC	Battle of Marathon 490BC	Building of the Parthenon 432BC	

VOCABULARY			
Spelling	Definition/Sentence		
legacy	Things or ideas that are passed down from one generation to another		
culture	The beliefs, customs, arts, etc., of a particular society, group, place, or time		
democracy	In this type of government, decisions about who should lead a county are made by the <b>majority</b> of its people		
architecture	The art or science of designing and creating buildings		
philosophy	The study of the basic ideas about knowledge, right and wrong, reasoning, and the value of things		
Olympics	Originally, the games were part of a religious festival to honour Zeus		

	GREEK LEGACY		
Metrodora	Author of one of the oldest medical books.		
Socrates	The Great Greek Philosophers		
Plato			
Aristotle	Philosophers		
Archimedes	Famous mathematician, physicist, engineer, inventor and astronomer.		