## 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

Thundersley Themes for History:





## **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- on the Isle of Crete. (4000 years ago)

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 Timeline					
Minoan civilization  The Tro	ojan wars 1190BC	Golden Age of	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	10	

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 Society Prince Pr			
Archimedes	Famous mathematician, physicist, engineer, inventor and astronomer.			