

# Year 5 History Knowledge Organiser - Ancient Greeks

## Key Questions

- When did the Greek empire begin and end.
- Name one similarity and one difference between the Ancient Greek political system and our own.
- Name one Greek god and goddess.
- Summarise the events of the Trojan War in one sentence.
- What was the date of the first Olympics.

## Curriculum Objectives

- I can identify how the Greek empire grew including key dates.
- I can compare the Ancient Greek Political System to our own.
- I can compare the first Olympic games with the modern-day Olympics.
- I can identify key Greek gods and goddesses.
- I can understand the events of the Trojan war.

## Key Knowledge - Chronology

776 BC	First Olympic Games
505 BC	Athens introduces democracy.
490 BC	Battle of Marathon (Athens vs. Persia)
468 BC	Sophocles writes his first tragedy.
461 BC	Peloponnesian wars led by two sides (Athens and Sparta)
386 BCE	Plato founds the academy.
336 BCE	Alexander the Great is crowned king.
146 BC	Roman rule of Greece begins with the sacking of Corinth.

## Selected Vocabulary and Definitions

<b>Government</b>	The system used for being in charge of a country.
<b>Democracy</b>	Decisions about who should lead a country are made by the majority of its people.
<b>Architecture</b>	The art or science of designing and creating buildings.
<b>Philosophy</b>	The study of the basic ideas about knowledge, right and wrong, reasoning and the value of things
<b>Olympics</b>	A series of athletic challenges that take place every four years. Originally the games were a festival in honour of the Gods.
<b>Literature</b>	Written works, especially those considered superior.
<b>Empire</b>	A group of countries that are run by the government or another country.
<b>Myth</b>	A well-known story, made up in the past to explain natural events.

## Key Knowledge – Gods & Goddesses

<b>Zeus</b>	King of the Gods, God of the Sky, Lightning and Thunder.
<b>Hades</b>	God of the Dead and King of the Underworld.
<b>Poseidon</b>	God of the Sea, Earthquakes and Storms.
<b>Hera</b>	Queen of the Gods; Goddess of Marriage.
<b>Apollo</b>	God of Music, Art, Knowledge and the Sun.
<b>Aphrodite</b>	Goddess of Love and Beauty
<b>Hermes</b>	Messenger of the Gods, God of Trade and Travelers.
<b>Ares</b>	God of War
<b>Athena</b>	Goddess of Wisdom, Courage and Strategy.
<b>Demeter</b>	Goddess of Agriculture, and the Harvest.

## Key Knowledge – The Olympics

The Olympic games began over 2700 years ago in Olympia, Greece. The games were a religious festival held in honour of the King of the Gods, Zeus and were held every 4 years. They included events such as running, discus, javelin, long jump, wrestling, boxing and chariot racing.

## Key Knowledge – Key Philosophers

<b>Socrates (429BC – 327 BC)</b>	Tried to answer question such as, "what is the right thing to do."
<b>Plato (429BC – 327 BC)</b>	Founded the world's first university.
<b>Aristotle (382BC – 322BC)</b>	Wrote books about physics, poetry, biology zoology, politics and governments.

