



St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School -Sycamore Class

Ancient Greece

Gospel Value
Courage

What I should know already-

Y2 Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot- Democracy, Y4
Romans Life and Y5 Life and beliefs in Ancient Egypt

Timeline

1200 BC The Trojan War begins
(Athens versus Troy)

1100 BC End of Mycenaean age,
Ancient Greece enters a 'Dark Age'.

800 BC The Ancient Greeks found
colonies around the Mediterranean and
the Black Sea.

776 BC The first Olympic Games.

700 BC The Iliad and Odyssey set down
by Homer.

508 BC Democracy is founded in
Athens.

431 BC The Peloponnesian War (Athens
versus Sparta) begins.

404 BC The Peloponnesian War ends
with the defeat of Athens by Sparta and
with it comes to an end of Greece's
'Golden Age'.

336 BC Alexander the Great ruler of
Ancient Greece and establishes an
Ancient Greek Empire.

146 BC Rome conquers Greece

Key Knowledge

- Ancient Greece was made up of city states. There were often battles between these states. Important city states of ancient Greece included Athens, Corinth and Sparta.
- Ancient Greece is significant historically because many things in culture today, especially in modern Europe, have been influenced by the idea of the ancient Greek civilisation.
- The first Olympic Games happened in ancient Greece, in Olympia.
- Independent city states existed for most of the ancient Greek period. However, near the end of this period, King Philip II of Macedonia ruled over all of ancient Greece.
- Alexander the Great (The son of King Philip) took over the empire along with other lands that he conquered.



Key Vocabulary

Ancient- Something from a long time ago.

Civilisation- A human society with well-developed rules and government, often where technology and the arts are considered important.

City States- Small areas that ancient Greece was divided into, each with their own government, laws and army.

Democracy- A system where the citizens of a country or state are involved in the way it is run.

Empire- A group of countries or states that is ruled over by one ruler or country.

Legacies- Things that live on after someone dies or after a civilisation or event ends.

