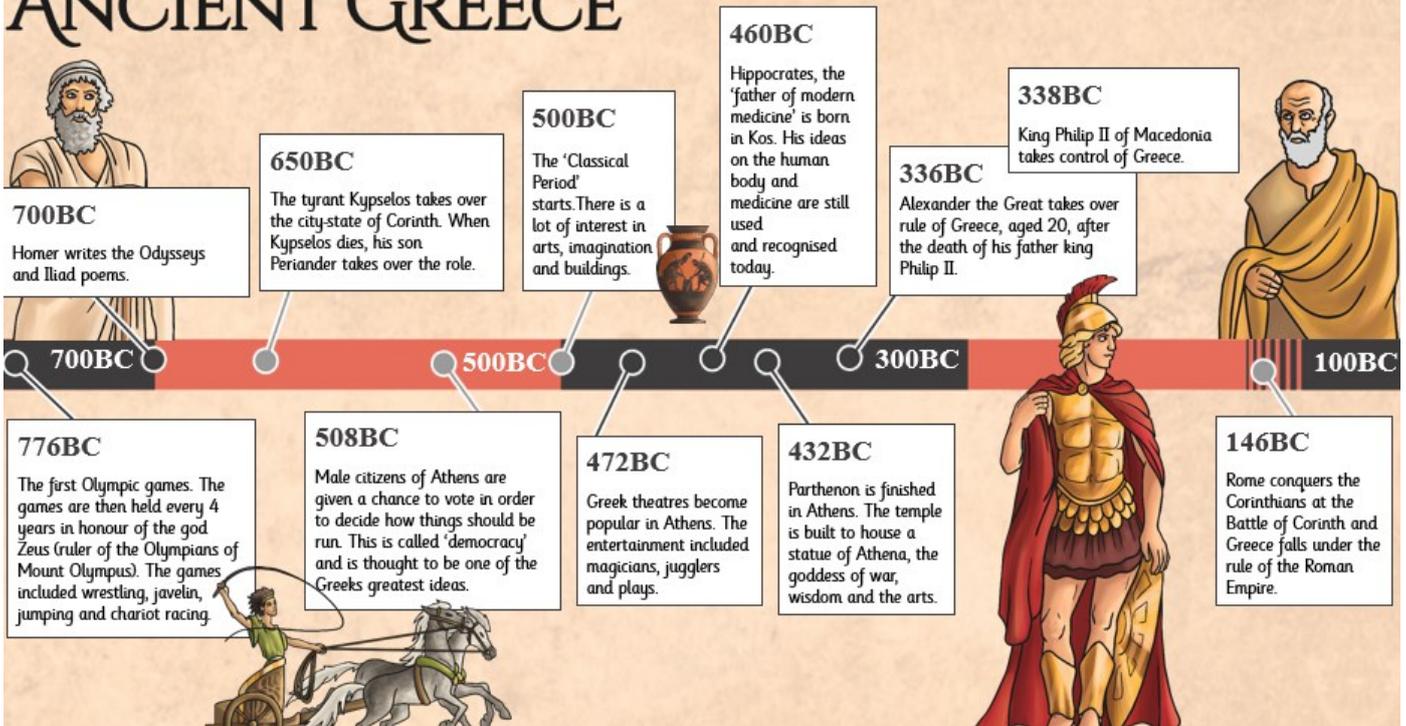




Year 5 Meet the Greeks!

In this unit we will learn about who the Ancient Greek people were, when they lived and where and how they were able to establish their empire. They will learn how the political system worked, investigate the legacy of Athenian Democracy and compare it with the political systems we have today. The children also compare and contrast the modern day Olympics with the Ancient Greek events and use their mathematical skills to present their findings in the form of a Venn diagram. They will learn about, and order events from, the Battle of Marathon and write in role to present the events from a specific viewpoint. We will also learn about Ancient Greek religion, research information about a variety of Greek gods and write their own Greek myth. Finally, they will use historical evidence to find out about the Trojan War and use the information to write and re-enact scenes from it.

ANCIENT GREECE



Key Vocabulary

- Acropolis** – An acropolis is a fortified citadel within a larger city. It is usually located on top of a hill and at the centre of the city
- Assembly** – In Athens the Assembly consisted of the group of citizens who showed up to vote
- Democracy** – A form of government where citizens have a say in how they are ruled including choosing their leaders and deciding on laws
- Oligarchy** – A type of government where the power is held by a few people
- Olympics** – An athletic event held by the Ancient Greeks every four years
- Titans** – The Titans were the first Greek gods
- Tyrant** – The ruler of a Greek city-state like a king

Who let the Gods out?

Elliot's mum is ill and his home is under threat, but a shooting star crashes to earth and changes his life forever. The star is Virgo—a young goddess on a mission. But the pair accidentally release Thanatos, a wicked death daemon imprisoned beneath Stonehenge, and must then turn to the old Olympian gods for help. After centuries of cushy retirement on earth, are Zeus and his crew up to the task of saving the world—and solving Elliot's problems too?

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