



St Paul's C of E Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

Name of Topic

The Ancient Greeks

Year Group

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Key Vocabulary and Spellings

1	empire	A nation that controls or governs other countries
2	maritime	A connection with the sea
3	mythology	A group of myths (stories) from another culture
4	Athens	A Greek city state that had a vast maritime empire
5	Sparta	A Greek city state that had conflict with Athens
6	trireme	A man powered boat with a triple deck
7	trade	Buying and selling or exchanging goods
8	Agora	A market where citizens came to trade
9	Parthenon	A building that is part of the acropolis
10	architecture	The art or designing of a building

Top 5 Topic Facts

1	The first Ancient Greek Olympics was held in 776BC.
2	The Athenians and the Spartans fought in two Peloponnesian wars, which depleted both armies.
3	Athens had a huge maritime empire in the Aegean sea, controlling most of the islands and parts of Persia.
4	Religion was very important. Temples were built in their honour and they were talked about in Greek mythology.
5	Sculptures, architecture, philosophy, mathematical ideas, arts and politics are just some of the ideas from Ancient Greece, that has had an impact on culture today.



Key Investigations/Questions

1	How was Ancient Greece governed? What were the differences in an oligarchy and a democracy?
2	How have the Ancient Greeks has an impact on our world and culture today?
3	What similarities do the Ancient Greek Olympics share with the modern version?