Ancient Greeks

Year 5

Links to Previous Learning

In Year 4 you have learned about important historical events. You have learned how to put these periods as well as the information you have studies on a timeline.

Key Skills:

-Who the ancient Greeks were and where and when they lived.
-Name some of the Greek's finest achievements.
-Why are the Greeks still important today.
-How was ancient Greece ruled.
-Why was their rivalry between Athens and Sparta.
-Compare and contrast Athenian democracy with the modern British version.
-What was the architecture, art and culture like of Athens.
-What was life like that the Greeks led.
-Greek rituals, customs and rites of passage.

Key Knowledge

-The Ancient Greeks lived in Greece and the countries we now call Bulgaria and Turkey over 4000 years ago.
-The two most important cities in Ancient Greece were Athens and Sparta.
-Democracy began in Ancient Greece.
-The Olympics started in Ancient Greece.
-Greece is in the country in the continent of Europe.
-The Athenians invented democracy, a system that allows citizens to vote on important matters.
-Diversity Link: Compare war and disputes between Maya and Greeks based on similarities and differences in culture.

Key Vocabulary

Amphitheatre: Open aired theatre and built in a semi-circular shape with rows or tiered stone seating around it.
Architecture: The art and science of designing and creating buildings.
Athens: The largest and most powerful city state.
Sparta: A military city state surrounded by mountains to protect it from invaders.
Parthenon: An important Greek temple (religious building) in Athens.
Mount Olympus: The highest mountain in Greece and the mythological home of the Greek Gods, primarily twelve Olympian Gods.