## **ANCIENT GREECE**

## YEAR 4 | AUTUMN 1



About **one third** of Ancient Greeks were slaves

The first Greek Olympics were held in the city of Olympia in

776 BC



We will be studying the Ancient Greek period to answer the question: Why is Ancient Greece considered to be so influential in the modern world?



The most famous Greek temple was built in Athens and was called the

Parthenon

Ancient Greeks lived **over** 3000 years ago



#### **KEY VOCABULARY**



civilisation



democracy



mythology



philosophy



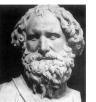
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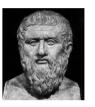
Alexander the Great

The King of Macedonia from 336 – 323 BC. He is considered one of the best military leaders of all time.



Archimedes

287 – 212 BC He was a leading mathematician, scientist, astronomer and inventor.



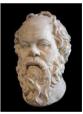
Plato

427 – 347 BC He was a lead philosopher in Athens during the Classical period.



Aristotle

384 – 322 BC Taught by Plato, he was a lead philosopher during the Classical period.



**Socrates** 

470 – 399 BC Greek philosopher from Athens who co-founded Western philosophy.



Homer

Author who wrote the Iliad and the Odyssey, which tells the story of the Trojan War.



Key dates

800 BC

508 BC

480 BC

333 BC

323 - 31 BC

The Archaic era begins. Cities were

ruled by King-like

First ideas of democracy are started.

The Classical era begins. The Persian War starts in 460 BC.

Alexander the Great defeats Persia and Egypt

The Hellenistic era.
Alexander the Great dies and
Rome defeats Ancient
Greece.





- During the war with Persia, the Battle of Marathon inspired the races we have today as a messenger is said to have run 140km to Athens.
- In 600 BC the first Greek coins appear
- The Olympic games were held every 4 years in honour of the Greek God Zeus.
- In 431BC a war between Sparta and Athens breaks out. Sparta conquers Athens in 404 BC.



### Map of Ancient Greece



# Q GLOSSARY

aesthetics	A branch of philosophy that deals with beauty and artistic taste.
civilisation	A society or place reaches an advanced place of social and cultural development.
democracy	A system of government for the whole population usually elected for.
empire	A group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch
mortal	A living being subject to death. Immortal beings are considered immune from death.
mythology	A collection of myths especially one belonging to a particular religious or cultural tradition.
philosophy	The study of the fundamental nature of knowledge, reality and existence.



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