

Jerry Clay Academy Subject Unit Overview

Subject: History **Year Group**: Year 4 **Term**: Autumn 1

Main strands within this History unit

Society	 To understand how the Ancient Greeks lived their lives in their houses, food clothes and how they lived their daily lives The impact of the Olympics onto society
Government	 To learn about the different classes in society and h that affected their voting To understand what democracy is and how the Greeks introduced this as a concept
Religion	 To learn about the different Greek Gods and their relevance To understand the reasoning behind the Olympics and why they honoured the Greek Gods



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Core Learning of This Unit:

- To develop awareness of time periods in History and the relevance and significance they have on life in Britain today (Ancient Greeks)
- To develop chronological knowledge surrounding British, local and world History
- To identify changes, contrasts and trends over time and identify similarities and difference between time eras.
- To construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant Historical information.

Prior Learning:

- Children have developed their inquisitive skills to ask and answer questions about Historical events and significant people.
- Children have used a variety of different resources to find out information about Historical events and significant people.

National Curriculum Statements:

- To learn about the Ancient Greeks
- To learn about Greek life and their achievements and how they influence the Western world

Key Vocabulary:

Athens- Capital City of Greece
Legacy- means learning from the past,
or something left by a person
Ancient Greece- civilization that
dominated much of the Mediterranean
thousands of years ago.

Democracy- a government where citizens have a say in how things should be run

Civilisation- a community of people with their own way of life

Myth- a story about gods, heroes and creatures that some believed were true

Tragedy and comedy- tragedies – retelling a sad event – or comedies that aimed at making people laugh.

Hellenes- what Greek people called themselves

Olympics- a sports event held every 4 years where athletes from all of the world compete

Significant People



Zeus - Greek God

Zeus was the king of the Greek gods who lived on Mount Olympus. He was the god of the sky and thunder. His symbols include the lightning bolt, the eagle, the bull, and the oak tree. He was married to the goddess Hera.