



# Foxes and Hedgehogs

## Spring newsletter



Happy New Year and welcome back after the break. The children have settled back in well and we are looking forward to this next term.

We will continue to give out home work every Friday to be handed in the following Thursday. Reading diaries should be handed in every Thursday too with at least 4 comments (the children can write in these when they have read as well).

If you require an appointment at any time to discuss anything, please contact the school office who will be happy to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

Kind regards from the year 5 team 😊

### History and Science

Our History this term is 'Ancient Greeks'.



Through the research of artefacts, the children will discuss life and pastimes of the Ancient Greek period. We will study Ancient Greek achievements and how they have influenced the Western world. In Art the children will study the history of Greek pottery and create their own plus other exciting art and design technology linked to this.



In science we will be looking at living things including animals.

The children will learn about how different living things survive, reproduce and their life cycle.



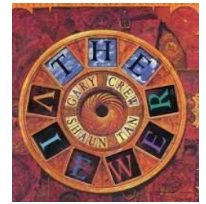
## PE

In PE the children will be taught ball skills, team work and fitness through different invasion games.

**Please ensure an outdoor PE kit is in school each day.**

## English

In English this term, we will be focusing on a range of writing types for different audiences and purposes. We will be writing different narratives based on books read and short videos watched.



We will be having daily spelling lessons looking at a range of spelling patterns. We will be sending home the common exception words each week. Please support your child with their weekly spelling test practice.

## Maths

We will be striving to continue to build upon our mathematical skills and understanding by further developing our knowledge of:

- Fractions
- Decimals and percentages
- Perimeter and Area
- Statistics

## RE



In RE lessons this term the children will learn about the styles of worship in Judaism and Christian faiths. They will discuss similarities and differences in attitudes to God, the services and style of worship.

# PSHE



This term the children will discuss how to stay positive and motivated when doing something challenging. They will learn how to work hard to achieve their own dreams and goals.

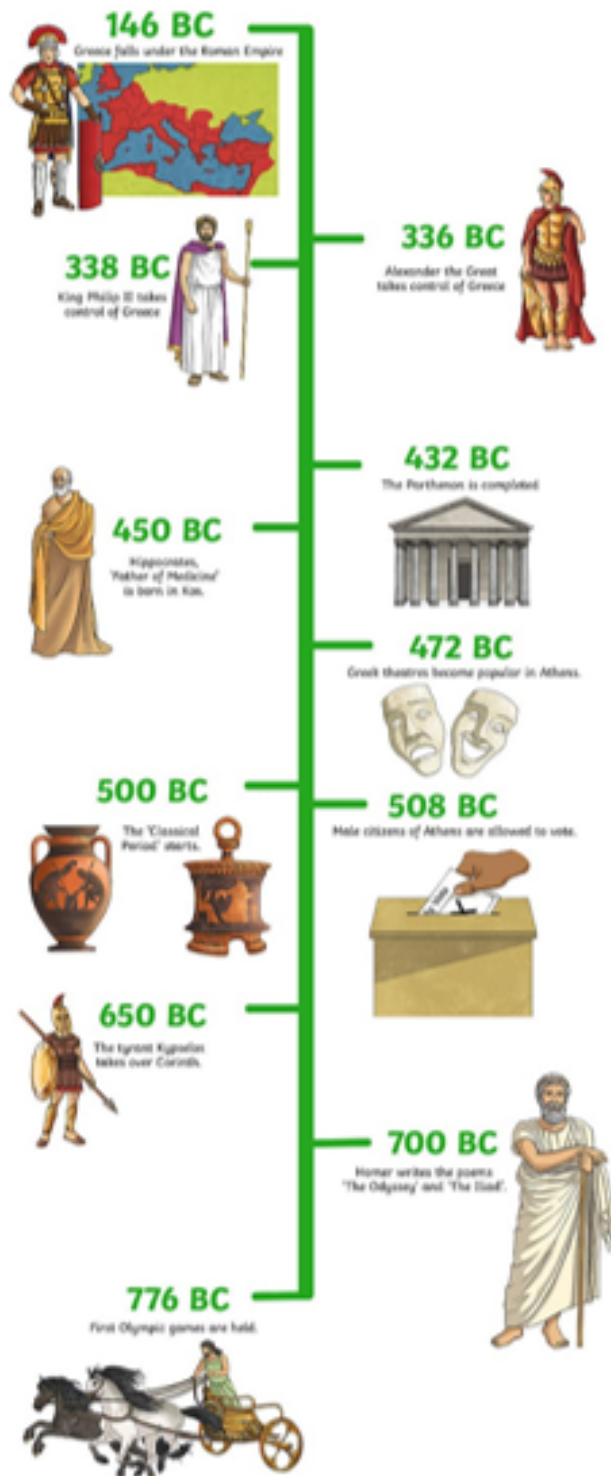


# Ancient Greeks

Artefacts

Culture and Pastimes

Society



## Vocabulary

democracy	citizens
philosophy	historical sources
civilisations	democratic
vote	myths
lekythos	legends
Olympics	pentathlon
Trojan war	

## Key Facts

We know about Ancient Greece from a range of different sources – pottery, art work, tablet writing.

Ancient Greece spanned hundreds of years from 700BCE to 146BCE.

Ancient Greeks were at the same time as the end of Ancient Egyptian era and at the same times as the Bronze Age in Britain!

## Impact on us

- o Created the first modern alphabet
- o Advances in science and medicine that still help us today
- o Created democracy and used this in Greek cities
- o Created the first Olympics. These were different then than they are today
- o Theatre – Greek plays are still performed.

Several myths and legends have survived from Ancient Greek times including Pandora's Box, Theseus and the Minotaur, Hercules, The Adventures of Odysseus and The Trojan War.

