

# Ashfield Valley Primary School—Autumn 1 –History– What did the Greeks do for us?

## What did the Greeks do for us?

- The ancient Greeks lived from 2200BC to 30BC.
- They invented democracy which is a way of ruling a country that is still used today
- The Spartans and Athenians were very different Greek societies.
- They told stories that are still told today including myths and legends such as Pandora's Box and Theseus and the Minotaur
- They worshipped many Gods.
- They held the Olympic Games every 4 years. We hold the modern Olympics every 4 years.
- They were brilliant at warfare and they won famous battles such as the battle of Marathon against the Persians.

## Websites

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z87tn39>

<https://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-greece.html>



## Vocabulary

city state— a city that rules itself with its own government

democracy- where people vote for their government

architecture—The art and design of buildings

myth— A story passed down over time to explain things in the world e.g. creation of the world

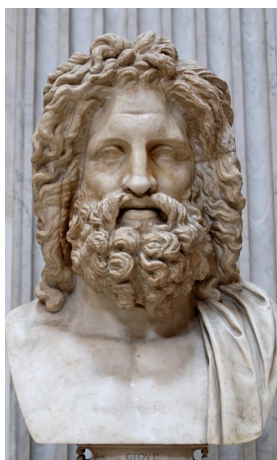
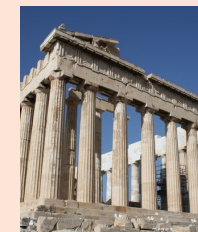
legacy—something left behind for future generations

olympic—To do with the Olympic Games

hoplite—An ancient Greek soldier.

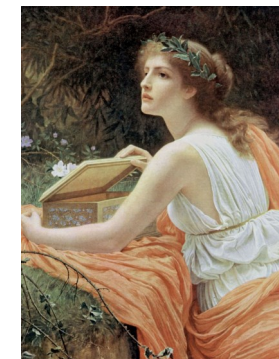
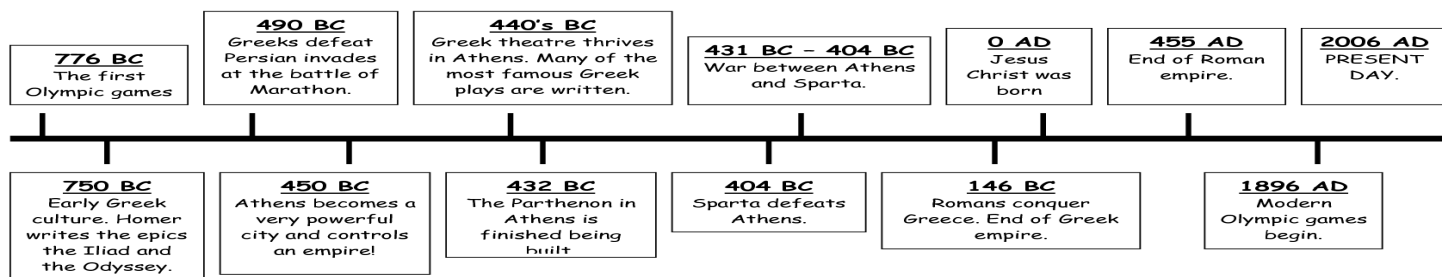
inventor—a person who creates or discovers something useful

philosopher—a Greek word meaning a lover of wisdom.



Zeus

## Greek timeline



Pandora's box